

House Resolution No. 1172

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are delighted to honor an outstanding Missourian who has witnessed dramatic changes in America during his sojourn on this most precious earth; and

Whereas, Ed Richards of Oregon, Missouri, recently commemorated the resplendent occasion of his Ninety-third Birthday in the company of his many loved ones; and

Whereas, on February 25, 1912, God brought a special gift to this great nation with the birth of an adorable infant by the name of Ed, who would put a twinkle in people's eyes and fill their hearts with love and joy; and

Whereas, Ed Richards made his formal debut in 1912 along with such notable people as television personality and author Julia Child; dancer, singer, and actor Gene Kelly; and professional boxer Henry Armstrong; and

Whereas, God has blessed Ed Richards with the love and affection of a wonderful family whose members, include his children and their spouses, Erle Richards of North Carolina, David and Karen Richards of Massachusetts, Susan and Joe Laukemper of Mound City, Bill and Kitty Richards of Oregon, and Bob Richards of Kansas City; and

Whereas, while celebrating his birthday, Ed Richards was able to visit with his children and several grandchildren and their families, including Eric and Patti Richards and their children, Carrie, Lillie, and Emma of Ballwin; Scott and Lori Laukemper and their children, Cameron and Elizabeth of Mound City; Jon and Mei Laukemper of Overland Park, Kansas; and Sophie and Liv Richards of Oregon; and

Whereas, at the respectable age of 93, Ed Richards is extremely grateful for the countless blessings he has received throughout the course of his long and eventful life:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations and special birthday greetings to Ed Richards at this significant milestone and in wishing him peace and contentment as he continues to enjoy his golden years; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Ed Richards, as a measure of our esteem for him.

Offered by _____
Representative Brad Lager
District No. 4

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 1172, adopted March 10, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker