

House Resolution No. 1730

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge special events experienced by Show-Me State residents who have been blessed by exceptionally long and productive lives; and

Whereas, born on March 22, 1915, Mary Ward recently celebrated her Ninetieth Birthday with a gathering of family members and friends on March 22, 2005; and

Whereas, after an enjoyable childhood filled with all types of educational and rewarding activities, the former Mary Manion established a family of her own through her joyful marriage to Elmo Ward on January 3, 1942, in a loving relationship which would last until his death in 1995; and

Whereas, the marital union of Mary and Elmo Ward was blessed with wonderful children, Marlene and Donald Arthur and Garel and Jean Ward, all of Albany; five grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, Mary Ward helped support her family through her endeavors as an employee of Western Auto and other establishments in Albany; and

Whereas, a vibrant part of the twenty-first century, Mary Ward enjoys a life which encompassed most of the twentieth century with its first flights by heavier-than-air craft, worldwide turmoil associated with World War I and World War II, rise of the automobile as America's preferred mode of travel, demise of the Soviet Union as the Cold War drew to a close, and shift from a primarily agricultural economy to one dependent upon industry and then upon the service and information sectors; and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives pauses to commemorate momentous events in the lives of such stellar citizens as Mary Ward:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the joyous arrival of the Ninetieth Birthday of Mary Ward and to convey to her this legislative body's heartiest congratulations upon attaining such a rare milestone in life and our best wishes for many more celebratory events in the future; 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 in honor of Mary Ward of Albany, Missouri.

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. 1730, adopted April 1, 2005.

 Rod Jetton, Speaker