

House Resolution No. 3449

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge milestone events in the histories of Show-Me State educational institutions which have proven to be exemplary components of local communities and neighborhoods; and

Whereas, South Elementary School in the Jefferson City School District opened its doors during a February snowstorm in 1955 as its more than two hundred students and staff walked to the school from their old facility four blocks away; and

Whereas, on Tuesday, May 10, 2005, South Elementary School celebrated its Fiftieth Anniversary on one of the hottest days thus far in the year; and

Whereas, in addition to a visit from Governor Matt Blunt, South Elementary School hosted a fashion show which featured such clothing styles from the 1950s as poodle skirts, cowboy garb, and letterman jackets; and

Whereas, the South Elementary School choir and orchestra also performed songs from the time period, and a slide show compared pictures from then and now; and

Whereas, now led by principal Belinda Couty, South Elementary School has seen many changes, including a much more diverse student population; and

Whereas, present for the Fiftieth Anniversary celebration was Thelma Kratochvil, the PTA president who helped pick out the current location of the school fifty years ago:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the historical accomplishments associated with the students, teachers, and administrators at South Elementary School during the past five decades and to convey to all of those involved this legislative body's most heartfelt congratulations upon attaining the Golden Anniversary of their institution's establishment; 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 South Elementary School in the Jefferson City School District.

Offered by _____
 Representative Bill Deeken
 District No. 114

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. 3449, adopted May 19, 2005.

 Rod Jetton, Speaker