

House Resolution No. 3534

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives recognize the significance of the institution of marriage as a vital foundation of American society and wholeheartedly believe that a successful union can be achieved only through a loving relationship of mutual honor, respect, and trust; and

Whereas, a period of five wondrous decades has passed since Theodore Golden lovingly took the hand of his beautiful bride, Virginia Andrews, during a solemn ceremony on May 24, 1955, in St. Joseph, Missouri; and

Whereas, in the years since that heavenly day, Theodore and Virginia Golden have had the pleasure of raising three children, Owen Golden, Elizabeth Claypole, and Ted Golden; and the privilege of spoiling two grandchildren; and

Whereas, Theodore Golden has compiled an impressive record of achievement that includes retiring after thirty-one and one-half years as an employee of Ford Motor Company and serving his country as a member of the United States Army during the Korean Conflict; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Virginia Golden further distinguished herself as an employee of Platte County for eight years; and

Whereas, Theodore and Virginia Golden derive a tremendous amount of spiritual fulfillment through their affiliation with Mt. Zion Baptist Church, a place of worship that has special meaning to them as cherished members; and

Whereas, during their half century together, Theodore and Virginia Golden have cherished each other every day in sickness and in health with the love so deep in their hearts; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Golden of Dearborn commemorated the resplendent occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary with a special celebration May 14, 2005, at Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Edgerton:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously in extending our most hearty congratulations to Theodore and Virginia Golden and in wishing them only the best as they continue their journey walking hand-in-hand along life's path; 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 Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Golden.

Offered by _____
Representative Jason Brown
District No. 30

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. 3534, adopted May 23, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker