

House Resolution No. 3973

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 September 14, 1905, in Saint Louis into the family of Ruben and Sara Dixon, Dr. John R. Dixon will soon celebrate his One Hundredth Birthday with a gathering of family members and friends on September 10, 2005; and

Whereas, after an enjoyable childhood filled with all types of educational and rewarding activities, Dr. John Dixon established a family of his own through his joyful marriage to Evelyn who loved and cherished him with all of her heart; and

Whereas, the marital union of Dr. John and Evelyn Dixon was blessed with wonderful children, John R. Dixon, Jr., Douglas Dixon, Sandra Dixon, and Sara Dixon; ten grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, Dr. John Dixon graduated from the University of Kansas with a Bachelor of Arts degree in chemistry and a Doctor of Medicine degree before opening a medical practice in the town of Linneus in Linn County, Missouri, where he was known for arriving by horse to make house calls around the clock on any day of the week; and

Whereas, Dr. John Dixon attends required study hours to keep his medical license current as a member of the Grand River Medical Society and a Retired Lieutenant Colonel in the Missouri National Guard who served in World War II as a Flight Surgeon, in the Korean War, and in Vietnam; and

Whereas, a vibrant part of the twenty-first century, Dr. John Dixon 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:

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 One Hundredth Birthday of Dr. John Dixon and to convey to him 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 Dr. John Dixon of Brookfield, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Kathy L. Chinn
District No. 8

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. 3973, adopted July 12, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker