

House Resolution No.

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge milestone events in the lives of Show-Me State residents who have proven down through the years to be exemplary citizens in local communities and neighborhoods; and

Whereas, Marva L. Groves was born on July 22, 1953, into the loving family of Marvin L. and Irma Groves which would ultimately include five children; and

Whereas, on Saturday, June 4, 2005, Marva Groves was the honoree at a family reunion; and

Whereas, Marva Groves married William “Ted” Runnels on June 10, 1978, in a marital union which has been richly blessed with the love and affection of their four children, Chalonda, Aisha, Billee, and William, Jr., and their five grandchildren, Monique, Deja’, Marquan, Eriah, and Marlon, Jr; and

Whereas, Marva Groves also includes in her extended family a host of nieces, nephews, and friends; and

Whereas, recipient of two kidney transplants, Marva Groves has been on dialysis for twenty-three years, experiences which she uses in a highly positive fashion to inspire all of those around her with her strength and determination; and

Whereas, Marva Groves also is a businesswoman who runs Ted’s Screen Printers in cooperation with her husband; and

Whereas, in addition to her three to five days each week devoted to business, Marva Groves also enjoys bowling, traveling, and serving in various community groups:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the long, productive life of Marva Groves and to convey to her this legislative body’s most heartfelt congratulations as she celebrates her Fiftieth Birthday on July 22, 1953; 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 Marva L. “Cookie” Groves of Kansas City, Missouri.

Offered by _____
 Representative Craig Bland
 District No. 43

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. ____, adopted _____, 2005.

 Rod Jetton, Speaker