

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 six wondrous decades has passed since Richard Woods lovingly took the hand of his beautiful bride, Anita Boss, during a solemn ceremony on June 30, 1945, at the St. Edwards Catholic Rectory in Little Rock, Arkansas; and

Whereas, in the years since that heavenly day, Richard and Anita Woods have had the pleasure of watching their family grow to include three children and their spouses, James and Wanda Woods, Thomas Woods, and Patricia and George Seifert, Jr.; six grandchildren; and one great-grandchild; and

Whereas, Richard Woods has compiled an impressive record of achievement that includes retiring after fifty years as a union carpenter, being a member of the Carpenters Union, and serving in the United States Army during World War II; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Anita Woods further distinguished herself as a beautician prior to her retirement and as a member of St. Rita's Sewing Circle; and

Whereas, during their sixty years together, Richard and Anita Woods have cherished each other every day in sickness and in health with the love so deep in their hearts; and

Whereas, Richard and Anita Woods derive a tremendous amount of spiritual fulfillment through their affiliation with St. Peters Catholic Church, a place of worship that has special meaning to them as cherished members; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Woods, residents of Hartsburg, Missouri, will commemorate the resplendent occasion of their Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary with a special family dinner on July 2, 2005:

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 Richard and Anita Woods 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. Richard Woods, as a measure of our esteem for them.

Offered by _____
Representative Danie Moore
District No. 20

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