

## House Resolution No. 3999

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to recognize locally held events which enhance the quality of life in local communities and neighborhoods; and

**Whereas**, the residents of Pike County, Missouri, will celebrate One Hundred Fifty Years of the Pike County Fair from July 23 through July 30, 2005; and

**Whereas**, held during the months of July, August, September, or October at various times in its history, the Pike County Fair was originally called the Agricultural Fair; and

**Whereas**, the Pike County Fair likewise has been held at varying locations, including Paynesville, Ashley, Bowling Green, and Curryville; and

**Whereas**, known for its quality entertainment, the Pike County Fair held the nation's first motorized pulling event in 1929; gave away a car in 1941; and provided such headline events as Minnie Pearl in 1952 and 1953, Porter Wagoner and the Ozark Jubilee in 1956, Kitty Wells in 1957, Ernest Tubb in 1960, John Conley in 1992, and Mark Chestnutt in 1997; and

**Whereas**, the Pike County Fair has been held at its current location since 1991 and played host to then-Governor Bob Holden in 2002; and

**Whereas**, war and poor economic conditions resulted in gaps in the Pike County Fair's history, but since World War II the Fair truly has been an annual event; and

**Whereas**, the modern day form of the fair association was incorporated in 1955 to provide a sense of consistency and visionary leadership to what is now undoubtedly a highly esteemed Pike County institution:

**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, stellar history of the Pike County Fair and to convey this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes to all of those involved in planning, promoting, and carrying out the 2005 edition of the Pike County Fair; 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 presentation at the Pike County Fair.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
 Representative Terry L. Witte  
 District No. 10

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. 3999, adopted July 14, 2005.

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 Rod Jetton, Speaker