

House Resolution No. 4023

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State couples who have admirably demonstrated the strength, depth, and vitality of their love through the longevity of their marital vows; and

Whereas, fifty years ago Ray Reynolds took the lovely hand of his beautiful bride, the former Betty Ross, as the two pledged their troth during a solemn wedding ceremony which was performed on June 19, 1955 at the Methodist Church in Alton; and

Whereas, five decades later Ray and Betty Reynolds of Thayer observed their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary with a festive gathering of family members and friends at Gastons Resort in Lakeview, Arkansas, on June 19, 2005; and

Whereas, the marital union of Ray and Betty Reynolds has been richly blessed with the love and affection of their children, Billie Rae Henley, Darlene Post, Janie King, and Jo Ann Roberts; twelve grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, a retired locomotive engineer for Burlington Northern, Ray Reynolds enjoys horses, trail rides, camping, and participating in Masons and Missouri State Wagon Train activities; and

Whereas, retired after eighteen years in the field of telephony, Betty Reynolds also enjoys trail rides, the Missouri State Wagon Train, lakeside camping, and being with her grandchildren; and

Whereas, Ray and Betty Reynolds used the occasion of their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary to reflect on the many changes which have occurred in their lives, in society, and around the world since the blessed day they became husband and wife; and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives pauses in its diverse daily activities in order to recognize such stellar citizens as Ray and Betty Reynolds during momentous times in their lives:

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 marriage engaged in by Ray and Betty Reynolds and to convey to them this legislative body's heartiest congratulations and our best wishes as they celebrate their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary; 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 Ray and Betty Reynolds of Thayer, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Mike Dethrow
District No. 153

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. 4023, adopted July 18, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker