

## House Resolution No. 4040

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State organizations which are devoted to bringing the past to life in educational and creative ways; and

**Whereas**, the Macon Flywheel and Collectibles Club was formed in November 1982 with a goal to "preserve the past" and a mission to "have fun doing it"; and

**Whereas**, the twenty-one founding members of the Macon Flywheel and Collectibles Club banded together in order to promote the collection, restoration, preservation, and exhibition of gasoline and oil engines, gas and steam tractors, power driven machinery, and any other articles of historical interest; and

**Whereas**, old engines first were exhibited at the Macon Centennial in 1976, followed by another show in 1981 on behalf of the Missourians Against Hazardous Waste, before the Macon Flywheel and Collectibles Club began sponsoring annual exhibits at the fairgrounds; and

**Whereas**, when the Baldwin family donated engines from their old shoe factory in Kirksville, the Macon Flywheel and Collectibles Club approached the Macon Fair Board for permission to build a 60' by 120' museum on the old tennis court located on the fairgrounds; and

**Whereas**, the original Macon Flywheel and Collectibles Club museum houses large items, such as an eleven ton Bates Corliss engine with a fourteen-foot flywheel, a 20-inch bore, and a 36-inch stroke; and

**Whereas**, the Macon Flywheel and Collectibles Club built a second museum for smaller items and to display a late 1800s to early 1900s house, a telephone switchboard, a rural school, a grocery store, and numerous antique items, including a large collection of salt and pepper shakers; and

**Whereas**, the Macon Flywheel and Collectibles Club is the sponsor of the annual Macon Flywheel Show which is held the last full weekend of July:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the history and accomplishments of the Macon Flywheel and Collectibles Club and to convey to its leadership and membership this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes for many years of continued success; 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 to the Macon Flywheel and Collectibles Club.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Michael L. Cunningham  
District No. 145

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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. 4040, adopted July 18, 2005.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker