

House Resolution No. 4151

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 Bill Pickens lovingly took the hand of his beautiful bride, Geneva Brooks, during a solemn ceremony in Pocahontas, Arkansas; and

Whereas, in the years since that heavenly day, Bill and Geneva Pickens have had the pleasure of raising four children, William Edward, Helen Elaine, Robert Arlis, Kenneth Dewey, and Nancy Louise, and the privilege of spoiling nineteen grandchildren, ten great-grandchildren, and five great-great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, Bill Pickens has compiled an impressive record of achievement that includes working at the Kansas-Nebraska Natural Gas Company for thirty-four years; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Geneva Pickens further distinguished herself as a nurses aide for fifteen years; and

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

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Pickens of Doniphan, Missouri, commemorated the resplendent occasion of their Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary at a church in Briar:

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 Bill and Geneva Pickens 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. Bill Pickens.

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. 4151, adopted August 9, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker