

## House Resolution No.

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge special events experienced by Show-Me State residents who have been blessed by exceptionally long and productive lives; and

**Whereas**, born on December 10, 1906, at Urbana into the loving family of Joe and Sarah Bridges, Bonnie M. Stafford recently celebrated her Ninety-eighth Birthday with a gathering of family members and friends at the Colonial Springs Nursing Home in Buffalo on December 11, 2004; and

**Whereas**, after an enjoyable childhood filled with all types of educational and rewarding activities, Bonnie Stafford established a family of her own through her joyful marriage to James R. Stafford who loved and cherished her with all of his heart; and

**Whereas**, the marital union of Bonnie and James Stafford has been blessed with a wonderful child, Jess Stafford of Buffalo, and two grandchildren; and

**Whereas**, Bonnie and James Stafford supported their family through their ownership and operation of Stafford Drug Store in Urbana for forty years; and

**Whereas**, a vibrant part of the twenty-first century, Bonnie Stafford enjoys a life which encompassed most of the twentieth century with its first flights by heavier-than-air craft, worldwide turmoil associated with World War I and World War II, rise of the automobile as America's preferred mode of travel, demise of the Soviet Union as the Cold War drew to a close, and shift from a primarily agricultural economy to one dependent upon industry and then upon the service and information sectors; and

**Whereas**, a real "people person", Bonnie Stafford is a member of First Baptist Church of Urbana where she is known for her love of Bridge, sewing, crocheting, quilting, gardening, and raising flowers; and

**Whereas**, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives pauses to commemorate momentous events in the lives of such stellar citizens as Bonnie Stafford:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the joyous arrival of the Ninety-eighth Birthday of Bonnie Stafford and to convey to her this legislative body's heartiest congratulations upon attaining such a rare milestone in life and our best wishes for many more celebratory events in the future; 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 Bonnie Stafford of Buffalo, Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Larry D. Wilson  
District No. 119

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. \_\_\_\_, adopted \_\_\_\_\_, 2004.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker