

## House Resolution No. 1348

**Whereas**, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize the Hornersville Farmers and Merchants Club, which will commemorate the resplendent occasion of its Fiftieth Anniversary on March 22, 2007; and

**Whereas**, in 1956, the Farmers and Merchants Club started out as a local men's club consisting of local farmers and area merchants who met once a month, sharing a meal and good conversation; and

**Whereas**, over the years, the Farmers and Merchants Club continued to meet and eventually grew into the prominent civic club it is today; and

**Whereas**, the Farmers and Merchants Club hosted the Annual Watermelon Festival for years, bringing top name talent to the small farming community including Dolly Parton, Jerry Lee Lewis, Roy Orbison, The Bill Black Combo, Ace Cannon, and Fats Domino; and

**Whereas**, each year the Farmers and Merchants Club gives two \$500 scholarships to local graduating seniors, and helps the local community by supporting activities and charitable events; and

**Whereas**, charter members of the Farmers and Merchants Club include Joe Langdon, Author Lee Hart, Bud Hart, Weldon Branum, Jack Wilkins, H.A. Boe Lea, L.E. Christian, Buster Poe, Ealy Hutchins, H.A. Moore, Pat Burlison, Melvin Burton, Lloyd Branum, Wilfred Robinson, George Langdon, Wilfred Wilkins, Bill Keating, Hale Merrick, Jim Merrick, Charles Lee Author, Douglas Pillow, Lee Edmonds, Cube Droke, H.A. Young, Sam Gifford, Lonnie Kitchen, Herman Tinnin, Joe Wilkins, J.B. Heathington, J.C. Tinnin, Lyman Lomax, Harve Powell, Austin Parsons, M.L. Schell, Carl Williams, Ulous Vance, Bus Hart, E.E. Keating, Floyd Kinsolving, Curt Author, Jimmy Wright, Don Wilkins, Charles Haynes, W.S. Buck, Hadley Ford, O.R. Droke, H.W. Droke, Bill Branum, George Jaco, Bond Rouse, T.E. Wilkins, Herman Christian, John Ford, Paul Weaver, Franklin Branum, B.J. Hinesley, Linden Perkins, Woodrow Smith, and J.A. Kimbrow:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our most hearty congratulations to the members and leaders of the Farmers and Merchants Club upon this very special anniversary event; 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 the Hornersville Farmers and Merchants Club.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
 Representative Terry Swinger  
 District No. 162

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1348, adopted March 26, 2007.

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 Rod Jetton, Speaker