

## House Resolution No. 1349

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize an outstanding Missouri citizen who distinguished himself as a leader of his community during his sojourn on this most precious earth; and

**Whereas**, the late H.W. "Pete" Droke of Hornersville, Missouri, is being recognized posthumously for his role as a charter member of the Farmers and Merchants Club of Hornersville, which is celebrating its Fiftieth Anniversary on March 22, 2007; and

**Whereas**, a farmer and agri business owner, Mr. Droke was a prominent member of the Hornersville community who operated Hornersville Agri Services and Droke Farms for many years, earning the trust and respect of his fellow citizens; and

**Whereas**, a World War II veteran, Mr. Droke was active in several important organizations including the Hornersville United Methodist Church, Senath-Hornersville School Board, Hornersville American Legion Post 362, the Girl Scouts of the U.S.A., Gideons International, National Farm Organization, the Dunklin County Farm Bureau, and Cotton Producers of Missouri; and

**Whereas**, on several occasions Mr. Droke lobbied on behalf of agriculture and was part of an Agricultural Trade Mission sponsored by President Ronald Reagan in 1983 that toured China on behalf of the American Cotton Industry; and

**Whereas**, Mr. Droke received a lifetime of love and affection from each member of his wonderful family who include his devoted wife, of sixty-two years, Bette; his five children and their spouses, Chris and Wilma Droke, Steve and Donna Droke, Stan and Susan Droke, Penny and Jim McLarty, and the late Teddy Droke; and his ten grandchildren, four great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in paying tribute to the memory and legacy of the late Pete Droke; 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 memory of H.W. "Pete" Droke.

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. 1349, adopted March 26, 2007.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker