

House Resolution No. 1237

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State couples who have admirably demonstrated the strength, depth, and vitality of their love through the longevity of their marital vows; and

Whereas, sixty years ago Truman "Doc" Orf took the lovely hand of his beautiful bride, the former Gertrude "Gertie" Brown, as the two pledged their troth during a solemn wedding ceremony that was performed on February 18, 1947, at Saint Clement Catholic Church; and

Whereas, six decades later Doc and Gertie Orf of Bowling Green observed their Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary with a festive gathering of family members and friends at The Junction Restaurant in Perry, Missouri, on February 18, 2007; and

Whereas, the marital union of Doc and Gertie Orf has been richly blessed with the love and affection of their children, Robert and Teresa Orf, Linda and Caroll Feldmann, Trudie and Duwayne Azotea, and the late Lee Wankel; grandchildren, Jessica Feldmann, Paul Feldmann, Jason Wankel, Amber Wankel, Emmie Oberhaus, Cory Orf, Joey Orf, Bobby Jo Glaspie, and the late Renae' Feldmann; and great-grandchildren, Tristan Glaspie, Aimee Glaspie, Kaylin Glaspie, Andrea Glaspie, Brynn Orf, Miranda Orf, and Nealee Kessler; and

Whereas, Doc Orf is a retired Pike County farmer and a member of Saint Clement Catholic Church, while Gertie Orf is the head food service worker at Bowling Green Elementary School and also a member of Saint Clement Catholic Church; and

Whereas, Doc and Gertie Orf used the occasion of their Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary to reflect on the many changes that have occurred in their lives, in society, and around the world since the blessed day they became husband and wife; and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives pauses in its diverse daily activities in order to recognize such stellar citizens as Doc and Gertie Orf during momentous times in their lives:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the long, productive marriage engaged in by Doc and Gertie Orf and to convey to them this legislative body's heartiest congratulations and our best wishes as they celebrate their Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary; 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 Doc and Gertie Orf of Bowling Green, Missouri.

Offered by _____
 Representative Terry L. Witte
 District No. 10

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. 1237, adopted March 14, 2007.

 Rod Jetton, Speaker