

House Resolution No. 1433

Whereas, it is with tremendous pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause in their diverse legislative endeavors in order to acknowledge milestone events in the lives of Show-Me State residents who have proven down through the years to be exemplary citizens in local communities and neighborhoods; and

Whereas, Josephine Stokes Wheat became a Grand Worthy Matron of the Harmony Grand Chapter of Order of Eastern Star on July 14, 2006, in light of her unwavering faith, commitment, and service; and

Whereas, Harmony Grand Chapter of Order of Eastern Star is a charitable and benevolent organization and a Prince Hall Affiliate of the Free and Accepted Masons of Missouri and its Jurisdiction; and

Whereas, the current office manager for the Saint Louis chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Josephine Wheat is a member of the National Coalition of Black Meeting Planners, a past member of the Saint Louis Convention Bureau's Hospitality Liaison Council, a member of the Senior Usher Board at Friendly Temple Missionary Baptist Church, an Adult Basic Education volunteer tutor, and a retired employee of the United States Treasury Department; and

Whereas, Josephine Wheat has developed and maintained an excellent reputation for her additional work with Order of Eastern Star as a Past Grand Charity Secretary, a District 1 Deputy, a Past Matron of Modesta Pearl #22, a cochair of the 9th Midwest Conference of Grand Chapters, an Imperial 2nd Ceremonial Daughter, and a member of the Order of Cyrenes, Golden Circle, and Phyllis Chapter; and

Whereas, Grand Worthy Matron Josephine Wheat is universally praised for her emphasis on community service, adult and children daycare, youth education and mentoring, partnering with other charitable organizations, setting a positive example for youth, involvement with OES youth, and support for AIDS, sickle cell, heart disease, cancer, and diabetes health issues:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the well-deserved selection of Josephine Wheat as Grand Worthy Matron of Harmony Grand Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star and to convey to her this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes for continued personal and professional success for many more years to come; 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 presentation to Josephine Stokes Wheat of Saint Louis, Missouri.

Offered by _____
 Representative Connie L. Johnson
 District No. 61

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. 1433, adopted March 27, 2007.

 Rod Jetton, Speaker