

## House Resolution No. 1760

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives recognize the significance of the institution of marriage as a vital foundation of American society and wholeheartedly believe that a successful union can be achieved only through a loving relationship of mutual honor, respect, and trust; and

**Whereas**, a period of six and one-half wondrous decades has passed since Bill Smith lovingly took the hand of his beautiful bride, Grace Lucille Catron, during a solemn ceremony on April 5, 1942, at St. Columban Catholic Church in Chillicothe, Missouri; and

**Whereas**, in the years since that heavenly day, Bill and Grace Smith have had the pleasure of raising three children, Robert L. Smith, Mary Grace Vulgamott, and Billie Ann Jennings, and the privilege of spoiling seven grandchildren and six great-grandchildren; and

**Whereas**, now retired, Bill Smith provided a comfortable home and secure future for his loved ones through his successful endeavors in farming; and

**Whereas**, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Grace Smith has further distinguished herself as a retired twenty-year employee of OATS; and

**Whereas**, during their sixty-five years together, Bill and Grace Smith have been zealous supporters of RSVP, Meals-On-Wheels, Winter Texans, and St. Columban Catholic Church; and

**Whereas**, Bill and Grace Smith have also enjoyed such hobbies and pastimes as fishing, gardening, playing cards, and traveling; and

**Whereas**, Mr. and Mrs. Smith of Chillicothe will commemorate the resplendent occasion of their Sixty-fifth Wedding Anniversary with a special celebration on April 7, 2007, at Grand River Inn:

**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 Bill and Grace Smith and in wishing them only the best as they continue their journey walking hand-in-hand along life's path; 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 Mr. and Mrs. Bill Smith, as a measure of our esteem for them.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
 Representative John Quinn  
 District No. 7

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. 1760, adopted April 4, 2007.

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 Rod Jetton, Speaker