

House Resolution No. 1941

Whereas, it is with great pride and sincere admiration that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives honor treasured residents of the Show-Me State who have experienced the joys and blessings of a prosperous marriage; and

Whereas, it was fifty-seven wondrous years ago that Lester A. Graff took the hand of his beautiful bride, Joyce Dee Wolff, as they began their commitment to a lifetime of shared love and devotion by exchanging wedding vows during a solemn ceremony on March 11, 1950, in Tulsa, Oklahoma; and

Whereas, in the years since that heavenly day, Lester and Joyce Graff have had the pleasure of raising two daughters, Deborah Kay Graff and Theodorah L. Likens, and the privilege of spoiling one granddaughter and four great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, Lester Graff is known as a dedicated family man who generously provided his loved ones with a comfortable home and secure future through his successful endeavors in the United States Army, from which he retired as a Chief Warrant Officer; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and outstanding homemaker, Joyce Graff offered her children boundless emotional support, guidance, and understanding which enhanced their lives in countless ways; and

Whereas, Lester and Joyce Graff have found the road to happiness by putting all of their energy, love, and ambition into their marriage and by knowing that a successful union is built upon such strong qualities as sacrifice, dedication, and honesty; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Graff, residents of Lebanon, commemorated the glorious occasion of their Fifty-seventh Wedding Anniversary with a special celebration on March 11, 2007, at the First United Methodist Church and Sleeper Methodist Church:

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 Lester and Joyce Graff for their tremendous success in achieving fifty-seven years of wedded bliss and in wishing them many happy and rewarding 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 Mr. and Mrs. Lester A. Graff.

Offered by _____
Representative Darrell Pollock
District No. 146

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. 1941, adopted April 16, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker