

House Resolution No.

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives occasionally pause in their diverse legislative endeavors in order to acknowledge the civic contributions of Show-Me State residents who proved down through the years to be exemplary citizens in local communities and neighborhoods; and

Whereas, the late James A. Franklin, Jr., was the Judge for Division 1 of Circuit 26 at the Camden County Courthouse since his appointment in February 1988; and

Whereas, President of the Camden County Library Board from 1981 through 2006, James Franklin will have a memorial garden at the Camden County Library named in his honor on Friday, April 13, 2007; and

Whereas, born on March 24, 1948, James Franklin graduated in 1966 from Camdenton High School; in 1972 from Drury College magna cum laude; and in 1976 from the University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Law, where he was named Honorary Shoveler of the Ancient Order of the Bovine Scoop; and

Whereas, a member of The Missouri Bar, James Franklin served in private practice from 1975 to 1979, as Prosecuting Attorney for one year, as Supervisor for the Missouri Division of Liquor Control beginning in 1981, and as Magistrate/Probate Judge and Associate Circuit Judge prior to his appointment and subsequent re-election as Circuit Judge; and

Whereas, James Franklin was a member of the Camden County Republican Club, a charter member of the Camdenton United Methodist Church, and a member of the Central Bank of Lake of the Ozarks Board of Directors, Pi Kappa Alpha, and Phi Alpha Delta; and

Whereas, the devoted son of Mildred Franklin, James Franklin also was the loving father of Stephanie and Andrea Franklin; sibling of Ralph and Vickie Franklin, Elaine and Jim Gilley, and Jackie and Dave Gordon; and cousin of Dr. Chris and Diane Franklin and Denise and Ernie Temple:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the personal and professional accomplishments garnered by the late Judge James Franklin during his lifetime and to convey to all of those involved this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes as they dedicate the Judge James A. Franklin, Jr., Memorial Garden at the Camden County Library on Friday, April 13, 2007; 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 the late James A. Franklin, Jr., of Camden County, Missouri.

Offered by _____
 Representative Wayne Cooper, M.D.
 District No. 155

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. ____, adopted _____, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker