

## House Resolution No.

**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 wondrous decades has passed since Franklin Joel "Joe" Whiting lovingly took the hand of his beautiful bride, Marjorie Ellen Boulware, during a solemn ceremony on April 12, 1947, at the Linwood Methodist Church in Kansas City, Missouri; and

**Whereas**, in the years since that heavenly day, Joe and Marjorie Whiting have had the pleasure of raising two daughters, Katherine Sue Lewman and Debra Jo Bridges, and the privilege of spoiling three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren; and

**Whereas**, Joe Whiting has compiled an impressive record of achievement that includes working in retail sales in Kansas City for twenty years, owning his own business in Independence for seventeen years, receiving an award from the Osceola Housing Authority and a fifty-year plaque from Masonic Lodge 617 in Kansas City, and serving on the Finance Committee at Vista United Methodist Church; and

**Whereas**, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Marjorie Whiting further distinguished herself as a bookkeeper at Pureweld Industries in Kansas City for fifteen years and Farmers Mutual Insurance, Company, in Osceola for ten years, serving on a Family Service Board for ten years, and receiving a fifteen-year plaque for serving on a Library Board; and

**Whereas**, during their sixty years together, Joe and Marjorie Whiting have enjoyed many hobbies and pastimes, a few of which include fishing, playing bridge, gardening, keeping their lawn impeccable, spending time outdoors, and visiting with their loved ones; and

**Whereas**, Mr. and Mrs. Whiting of Osceola will commemorate the resplendent occasion of their Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary with a special celebration on April 14, 2007, at the Baer House:

**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 Joe and Marjorie Whiting 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. Franklin Joel Whiting, as a measure of our esteem for them.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Larry D. Wilson  
District No. 119

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.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker