

House Resolution No. 4027

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, sixty-five wondrous years ago on May 23, 1942, Leroy Lillard, son of Elston and Lizzie Lillard, took the hand of his beautiful bride, Ethel Heinze, daughter of Walter and Bertha Heinze, as they began their commitment to a lifetime of shared love and devotion by exchanging wedding vows during a solemn ceremony at the pastors home in Canton, Missouri; and

Whereas, in the years since that heavenly day, Leroy and Ethel Lillard have had the pleasure of raising three daughters, Linda Sears, Barbie Bergman, and Elizabeth Montgomery, and the privilege of spoiling seven grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, and three step-great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, Leroy Lillard is known as a dedicated family man who generously provided his loved ones with a comfortable home and secure future through his successful endeavors as a farmer and electrician; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and outstanding homemaker, Ethel Lillard further distinguished herself as an employee of Bakers Medicine Company in Keokuk, Iowa; and

Whereas, Leroy and Ethel Lillard 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. Lillard, residents of Kahoka, commemorated the truly glorious occasion of their Sixty-fifth Wedding Anniversary on May 23, 2007:

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 Leroy and Ethel Lillard for their tremendous success in achieving sixty-five years of wedded bliss 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. Leroy Lillard.

Offered by _____
Representative Brian Munzlinger
District No. 1

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. 4027, adopted June 12, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker