

## House Resolution No. 4071

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives feel it is altogether fitting and proper to pause from time to time to recognize individuals and organizations that have contributed to the welfare of this great state and its citizens; and

**Whereas**, the members now pause to recognize Private Charles F. Facius and an Honorary “Last Soldier Dedication” ceremony to be given in his honor on June 24, 2007, in Leslie, Missouri; and

**Whereas**, at the time of his death at the age of ninety-seven, in Franklin County, Missouri, in 1939, Private Facius was believed to be the oldest living veteran of the American Civil War in Franklin County; and

**Whereas**, born in Luebbecke, Westphalia, Germany, in 1842, Private Facius served in the Union Army as a bugler from October 1861 until December 1865, in Company E, 2<sup>nd</sup> Regiment, Missouri Volunteer Infantry and Company G, 15<sup>th</sup> Regiment, Missouri Volunteer Infantry in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Division, 4<sup>th</sup> Army Corp; and

**Whereas**, Private Facius was captured in Dalton, Georgia, in August 1864, but ultimately returned to Company G, 15<sup>th</sup> Regiment, Missouri Volunteer Infantry, and he was honorably discharged on Christmas Day, 1865; and

**Whereas**, the Honorary Dedication Ceremony will be held at St. John’s United Church of Christ Casco, in Leslie, Missouri; and

**Whereas**, the Honorary Dedication Ceremony will be attended by the Reverend David Arndt, the Reverend Charles Ackerson, representatives of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, representatives of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, members of the Turner Brigade–Missouri Volunteers Civil War Reenacting Organization, representatives from The American Legion, and Private Facius’ great-great-granddaughter Patricia L. Eggers representing the family:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, extend our never-ending gratitude to Private Charles F. Facius for his bravery, loyalty, and service to a country to which he had only recently immigrated; 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 Patricia L. Eggers, direct decedent of Private Charles F. Facius.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
 Representative Charles Schlottach  
 District No. 111

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. 4071, adopted June 18, 2007.

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 Rod Jetton, Speaker