

House Resolution No. 4119

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 years ago on June 14, 1942, Don Benitz took the hand of his beautiful bride, Bernita Holcomb, as they began their commitment to a lifetime of shared love and devotion by exchanging wedding vows during a solemn ceremony at Christ Lutheran Church in Wathena, Kansas; and

Whereas, in the years since that heavenly day, Don and Bernita Benitz have had the pleasure of raising three children, Clifton E. Benitz, Evean R. Benitz, and Pamela S. Walter, and the privilege of spoiling nine grandchildren, ten great-grandchildren, and two step-great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, Don Benitz is known as a dedicated family man who generously provided his loved ones with a comfortable home and secure future through his successful twenty-five-year endeavors at Benitz Auto Repair and the Historic Mount Mora Cemetery; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and outstanding homemaker, Bernita Benitz further distinguished herself by taking care of elderly individuals in the hospital and nursing homes; and

Whereas, Don and Bernita Benitz 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. Benitz, residents of St. Joseph, Missouri, commemorated the glorious occasion of their Sixty-fifth Wedding Anniversary with a special celebration on June 14, 1007, at St. Peter Lutheran Church in St. Joseph:

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 Don and Bernita Benitz for their tremendous success in achieving sixty-five 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. Don Benitz, as a measure of our tremendous esteem for them.

Offered by _____
Representative Rob Schaaf
District No. 28

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. 4119, adopted June 26, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker