

## House Resolution No.

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge special events experienced by Show-Me State residents who have been blessed by exceptionally long and productive lives; and

**Whereas**, born on August 31, 1907, into the family of Charles Wilkerson Ryan and Fannie Moore Ryan of Schaberg, Arkansas, Ray Ryan will celebrate his One Hundredth Birthday with a gathering of family members and friends on September 1, 2007, at the Party Oasis in Lamar, Missouri; and

**Whereas**, after an enjoyable childhood filled with all types of educational and rewarding activities, Ray Ryan established a family of his own through his joyful marriage to the former Ellen Cable who loved and cherished him with all of her heart; and

**Whereas**, the marital union of Ray and Ellen Ryan has been blessed with wonderful children, Richard, James, Bill, Irvin, and Kathleen; eleven grandchildren; twenty-seven great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren; and

**Whereas**, Ray Ryan provided for his growing family through his skills as a farmer who engaged in such progressive agricultural practices as using commercial fertilizer, terracing land, irrigating, and rotating crops; and

**Whereas**, a vibrant part of the twenty-first century, Ray Ryan enjoys a life that encompassed most of the twentieth century with its first flights by heavier-than-air craft, worldwide turmoil associated with World War I and World War II, rise of the automobile as America's preferred mode of travel, demise of the Soviet Union as the Cold War drew to a close, and shift from a primarily agricultural economy to one dependent upon industry and then upon the service and information sectors; and

**Whereas**, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives pauses to commemorate momentous events in the lives of such stellar citizens as Ray Ryan:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the joyous arrival of the One Hundredth Birthday of Ray Ryan and to convey to him this legislative body's heartiest congratulations upon attaining such a rare milestone in life and our best wishes for many more celebratory events in the future; 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 Ray Ryan of Lamar, Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
 Representative Ed Emery  
 District No. 126

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