

House Resolution No. 358

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, seventy-one wondrous years ago on January 26, 1937, Claude Owen took the hand of his beautiful bride, Vi Newman, as they began their commitment to a lifetime of shared love and devotion by exchanging wedding vows during a solemn ceremony in Bethany, Missouri; and

Whereas, in the many years since that heavenly day, Claude and Vi Owen have had the pleasure of watching their family grow to include their children, Linda and Lloyd Walker and Kent (deceased) and Pam Owen of Maysville; five grandchildren, Lori Bejan of Cameron, Amy and Rob Reed of Hamilton, Jamy Owen and Cory Watkins of Winston, Jodi Owen and Jessie Dillihay of Maysville, and Jeff Owen and Becky Huff of Maysville; and six great-grandchildren, Tyl'r, Korbain, Radley, Jaycee, Konnor, and Kaleb; and

Whereas, Claude Owen is known as a dedicated family man who generously provided his loved ones with a comfortable home and secure future through his successful endeavors with Hughes Aircraft in California, from which he is now retired; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and outstanding homemaker, Vi Owen offered her children boundless emotional support, guidance, and understanding which enhanced their lives in countless ways and enabled them to become responsible citizens with families of their own; and

Whereas, Claude and Vi Owen 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. Owen, residents of Maysville, will commemorate the awe inspiring and truly glorious occasion of their Seventy-first Wedding Anniversary on January 26, 2008:

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 Claude and Vi Owen for their tremendous success in achieving seventy-one incredible 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. Claude Owen, as a measure of our tremendous esteem for them.

Offered by _____
Representative James O. Guest
District No. 5

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 358, adopted January 31, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker