

House Resolution No. 392

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 preservation of this great state's history and heritage; and

Whereas, the members now pause to recognize the Central Dairy Building, in Columbia, Missouri, which has been honored Missouri Preservation's Preserve Missouri Award; and

Whereas, built in 1927 and featuring some of Columbia's most extensive examples of terra cotta ornament to survive, the Central Dairy Building was designed by the Kansas City architectural firm of Shepard and Wisner, and it housed the Central Dairy business from 1927 to 1958; and

Whereas, current owners Don and Carl Helmreich have completed the rehabilitation of the building utilizing historic rehabilitation tax credits; and

Whereas, a fine example of Beaux Arts architecture, the building's facade is richly embellished with buff glazed terra cotta ornament and urns punctuating the roof-line, contributing sophistication to the commercial district; and

Whereas, while the building was used for the dairy business until 1958, it later was alternatively used for doctors' offices, insurance companies, and as an appliance store; and

Whereas, since 1961, when Herb Helmreich opened his appliance store, the store has been in the Helmreich family, and today, Herb Helmreich's son and daughter-in-law, Don and Carla Helmreich, have had the building listed on the National Register of Historic Places and have had the upper floors reconfigured into five apartments with the help of Columbia architect John Simon:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to extend our congratulations to the Central Dairy Building and its owners, Don and Carla Helmreich on the illustrious occasion of its being honored with a Preserve Missouri Award from Missouri Preservation; 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 the Central Dairy Building in Columbia, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Judy Baker
District No. 25

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. 392, adopted February 5, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker