

House Resolution No. 1291

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are delighted to honor an outstanding Missourian who has witnessed dramatic changes in America during his sojourn on this most precious earth; and

Whereas, the members now pause to honor Kenneth Churchill of Chillicothe, Missouri, who will celebrate his ninetieth birthday on March 29, 2008, in Chillicothe, surrounded by family and friends; and

Whereas, Kenneth Churchill was born on March 19, 1918 in Garden Grove, Iowa, and by the age of ten, he was sweeping docks as a janitor's helper at Churchill Truck Lines, the company he would become president of in 1960, a position he still holds today along with responsibilities of chairman of the board of directors; and

Whereas, Churchill Truck Lines was founded by Kenneth Churchill's father, Cliff Churchill, in 1926, before many roads or concrete pavement existed, and the company was incorporated in 1935, by owners Cliff Churchill, J.E. Creason, and John Miller, with Creason and Miller soon selling their interests to the Churchill family; and

Whereas, since 1936, Kenneth Churchill has worked twelve-hour days and has forged lasting relationships with business associates, employees, competitors, and representatives of service organizations on the local, state and national levels to which Kenneth Churchill generously contributed; and

Whereas, Kenneth Churchill's leadership and day-to-day operation of his company reached into twenty-six states with one hundred terminals employing several hundred people, receiving national, state, and regional recognitions and awards; and

Whereas, Kenneth Churchill, as committed to his community as he is to his business and his family, is the proud and deserving recipient of the Frank G. Campbell Award for Outstanding Service for 1980, an award given to an individual in Missouri for a distinguished record of service to the transportation industry, the Missouri Motor Carriers Association, and the community, and he was named the Chillicothe Chamber of Commerce Business Person of the Year for 1986; and

Whereas, in 1940, Kenneth Churchill married Eugenia "Jean" Minnis, and they have three children, Fred, Connie, and Patricia, and are the proud grandparents and great-grandparents of several children:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to congratulate Kenneth Churchill on the illustrious occasion of his ninetieth birthday, with our best wishes for many happy returns of the day; 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 Kenneth Churchill.

Offered by _____
Representative John Quinn
District No. 7

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. 1291, adopted March 26, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker