

## House Resolution No. 2220

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are proud and pleased to recognize marriage as one of the cornerstones of a vibrant and healthy society; and

**Whereas**, the members feel it is altogether fitting and proper to pause from time to time to recognize Missouri couples who have enjoyed the benefits marriage offers; and

**Whereas**, the members now pause to recognize Lucas and Helen Van Ooyen, of Lebanon, Missouri, who observed their sixtieth wedding anniversary on April 5, 2008; and

**Whereas**, Lucas Van Ooyen took the hand of his beautiful bride, Helen Willour at a solemn ceremony held on April 5, 1948, at the Methodist Church in Oskaloosa, Iowa; and

**Whereas**, Lucas Van Ooyen nobly served his country in the United States Army during World War II and returned home to work for the Chevrolet auto body shop, which he then purchased and renamed Luke's Body Shop, and since retiring in 1980, he has enjoyed woodworking and reading; and

**Whereas**, Helen Van Ooyen kept the accounts for Luke's Body Shop and sold Vanda Beauty Counselor for twenty years, and today she enjoys cross-stitching, ceramics and water-color painting; and

**Whereas**, Lucas and Helen Van Ooyen have been blessed with a wonderful family that includes their children, Mary Lee Murray and Lynn Ann Jentzen, three granddaughters, and two great-granddaughters:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to extend our most sincere congratulations to Lucas and Helen Van Ooyen on the auspicious occasion of their sixtieth wedding anniversary, with our best wishes for many more happy years together; 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 Lucas and Helen Van Ooyen.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Darrell Pollock  
District No. 146

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. 2220, adopted April 24, 2008.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker