

## House Resolution No. 2897

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge milestone events in the lives and careers of Show-Me State residents who have proven down through the years to be exemplary citizens in local communities and neighborhoods; and

**Whereas**, Clair Goodwin of Joplin, Missouri, reached his Golden Anniversary at the Joplin Globe on March 21, 2008; and

**Whereas**, Clair Goodwin joined the staff of the Joplin Globe in 1958 as a sports writer after serving as a sports editor for the Joplin Junior College Chart and the Pittsburg State University Collegio, earning numerous writing awards from the University of Missouri and the Pi Delta Epsilon writing award twice, and holding office as president of the Pittsburg State University chapter of the Pi Delta Epsilon national journalism society; and

**Whereas**, at the Joplin Globe Clair Goodwin accepted increasingly responsible duties as a general assignment reporter before becoming a general news reporter, sports editor, news editor, and interim managing editor of the Herald afternoon publication of the morning Joplin Globe; and

**Whereas**, after the Herald closed, Clair Goodwin was named city editor (dayside) of the Joplin Globe in 1970, followed by editorial writer in 1972 and assistant editorial page editor in 1975; and

**Whereas**, Clair Goodwin was named editor of the editorial page in 1991, since which time the editorial page has been selected as the Best Editorial Page (circulation 25,001-50,000) by Inland Press Associated and presented with the William Allen White Foundation Editorial Excellence Award; and

**Whereas**, in addition to being elected as President of the Missouri Associated Press Wire Editors Association and to the Joplin Golf Hall of Fame and the Ozarks Golf Hall of Fame, Clair Goodwin is a founding member and former president of the Joplin Golf Foundation, which is tasked with promoting intercity golf rivalries between Joplin and Springfield, junior golf, and golf in general and with overseeing the Joplin Golf Hall of Fame:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the personal and professional accomplishments garnered thus far in the life of Clair Goodwin and to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt congratulations upon reaching the Fiftieth Anniversary of his start at the Joplin Globe newspaper; 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 presentation to Clair Goodwin of Joplin, Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
 Representative Ronald F. Richard  
 District No. 129

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. 2897, adopted May 8, 2008.

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 Rod Jetton, Speaker