

House Resolution No. 3601

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge milestone events in the histories of Show-Me State businesses that admirably broaden and deepen the economic and societal foundations of local communities and this entire state; and

Whereas, American Century Investments of Kansas City, Missouri, began serving investors on October 31, 1958, as Twentieth Century Investors with two mutual funds, three employees, and \$100,000 from a handful of investors; and

Whereas, today with 1,700 employees across the United States, more than eighty investment strategies, and \$100 billion in investor assets under management, American Century Investments is celebrating Fifty Years in business through a variety of observances that will take place in 2008 and culminate with an October 31, 2008, celebration; and

Whereas, a Missouri company that has always been headquartered in Kansas City, American Century Investments recognized in the 1950s that mutual funds were an excellent investment vehicle to help ordinary people reach financial goals; and

Whereas, James E. Stowers, Jr., founded American Century Investments on the belief that helping investors become successful would make the company successful; and

Whereas, American Century Investments established a reputation for team investment management and grew rapidly using the "Stowers System" that relies on the innovative use of new computer technology to identify companies experiencing accelerating earnings and growth; and

Whereas, American Century Investments today is a diversified, active money manager that offers individual and institutional clients high-performance strategies across the growth, value, international, quantitative equity, asset allocation, and fixed income investment disciplines; and

Whereas, in addition to founder Jim Stowers being named as one of the nation's "best stock pickers" by Money Magazine in 1981, American Century Investments has enjoyed being recognized nine consecutive times by Fortune magazine as one of America's "100 Best Companies to Work for" and has garnered numerous other awards for investment management and community service:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the history, goals, and accomplishments associated with American Century Investments and to convey to all of those involved, especially founder and chairman Jim Stowers, Jr., this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes as they celebrate the Golden Anniversary of the founding of their company; 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 in honor of American Century Investments.

Offered by Speaker Rod Jetton
District No. 156

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. 3601, adopted July 10, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker