

House Resolution No. 3351

Whereas, it is with great pride and sincere admiration that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives honor treasured residents of the Show-Me State who have experienced the joys and blessings of a prosperous marriage; and

Whereas, sixty years ago on June 16, 1948, D. Dale Rhea, son of Wilma and Liston Rhea, took the hand of his beautiful bride, Marcie Ballow, daughter of Rose and Elvin Ballow, as they began their commitment to a lifetime of shared love and devotion by exchanging wedding vows during a solemn ceremony at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Quincy, Illinois; and

Whereas, in the years since that heavenly day, Dale and Marcie Rhea have had the pleasure of raising five children, Linda Collins of Brookfield, Pam Morris and Debbie Hamm of Quincy, Kelly Ragar of Taylor, and the late Donald D. Rhea; seventeen grandchildren; and thirty great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, a World War II veteran of the United States Navy, Dale Rhea is known as a dedicated family man who generously provided his loved ones with a comfortable home and secure future through his successful endeavors with the Burlington Northern Railroad, from which he retired in 1989 following thirty-eight years of steadfast and admirable service; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and outstanding homemaker, Marcie Rhea offered her children boundless emotional support, guidance, and understanding which enhanced their lives in countless ways and enabled them to become responsible citizens with families of their own; and

Whereas, Dale and Marcie Rhea have found the road to happiness by putting all of their energy, love, and ambition into their marriage and by knowing that a successful union is built upon such strong qualities as sacrifice, dedication, and honesty; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Rhea, residents of Taylor, commemorated the glorious occasion of their Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary with a special celebration hosted by their loved ones on June 15, 2008, at the Knights of Columbus in Quincy:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Dale and Marcie Rhea for their tremendous success in achieving sixty years of wedded bliss and in wishing them only the best as they continue their journey walking hand-in-hand along life's path; 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 Mr. and Mrs. D. Dale Rhea.

Offered by _____
Representative Brian Munzlinger
District No. 1

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. 3351, adopted June 3, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker