

House Resolution No.

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who have contributed to a better quality of life in local communities and neighborhoods through the excellence of their spiritual leadership; and

Whereas, the Reverend Jimmie L. Robinson of Kirksville, Missouri, has attained considerable distinction as the Senior Pastor at First United Methodist Church, a vocational calling that he will draw to a close on June 22, 2008, in well-deserved retirement after eleven years of service; and

Whereas, the Reverend Jimmy Robinson brought to his work at First United Methodist Church a wealth of knowledge, skills, and experiences garnered from earlier employment at Court Street United Methodist Church in Fulton, the United Methodist Churches of Malden and Gideon, and the Bell City-Sadler's Chapel United Methodist Churches; and

Whereas, the Reverend Jimmy Robinson prepared for his diverse religious responsibilities by earning a Bachelor of Arts degree in social science from California State University in 1977 and a Master of Divinity degree from Midwestern Seminary in Kansas City; and

Whereas, a military veteran, the Reverend Jimmy Robinson served in the United States Air Force as part of the Strategic Air Command in Idaho, California, Guam, Thailand, and Okinawa; and

Whereas, a native of Missouri, the Reverend Jimmy Robinson was born in Ironton, graduated from Leadwood High School, and married his beloved Linda to form a union that was blessed with the love and affection of two sons, the late James and Kevin; and

Whereas, during his eleven-year-long tenure with First United Methodist Church, the Reverend Jimmy Robinson gave 990 sermons, led 355 funerals, performed 86 weddings, and played 312 rounds of golf; and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives should acknowledge milestone events in the lives of such outstanding Missouri citizens as the Reverend Jimmy Robinson:

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 and work of the Reverend Jimmy Robinson and to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes as he partakes of the special opportunities and pleasures traditionally associated with the golden years of retirement; 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 the Reverend Jimmy L. Robinson of Kirksville, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Rebecca Payne McClanahan
District No. 2

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. ____, adopted _____, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker