

House Resolution No. 3621

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives wholeheartedly believe that a successful marriage forms a firm foundation for a lifetime of happiness and security and wish to salute an outstanding Missouri couple whose union confirms that philosophy; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. James Gardner, treasured residents of Conway, Missouri, commemorated the resplendent occasion of their Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary on June 10, 2008, with a festive celebration held at their home; and

Whereas, joined in marriage before the eyes of the Lord on June 18, 1948, James Wesley Gardner and Marjorie Adeline Coen began their lives together as husband and wife after a memorable wedding ceremony at Fairmount Community Church in Independence; and

Whereas, since that happy day, James and Marjorie Gardner have witnessed with pleasure the growth of their mutual trust and understanding, qualities which continue to endear them to one another with each passing year; and

Whereas, a proud father and caring husband, Mr. Gardner dutifully served his country in the United States Air Force during World War II and provided a safe and secure future for his loved ones as a stellar employee of Detroit Tool for twenty-two years, while somehow finding the time and energy to serve as treasurer of Church of the Nazarene for thirteen years; and

Whereas, a devoted wife and mother who loves reading, sewing, gardening, and caring for her husband, Mrs. Gardner enjoys her family immensely and showed her special love by dutifully caring for her home and remaining supportive of their every endeavor; and

Whereas, James and Marjorie Gardner attribute their sixty years of wedded success and happiness to their strong sense of faith and family, the foundation upon which they have planted the seeds of their love and respect for each other in the generations to follow which include their seven children, Mary C. Dockens, Eileen K. Gardner, Dorothy J. Oberle, Donald W. Gardner, Allen J. Gardner, Clifford J. Gardner, and Jeffrey A. Gardner; and their twenty-four grandchildren, thirty-four great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in a thunderous round of applause for James and Marjorie Gardner upon the glorious celebration of their Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary, and in wishing them much peace and prosperity as they proudly continue their journey 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. James Gardner.

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. 3621, adopted July 15, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker