

House Resolution No. 4008

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State philanthropic organizations that have proven down through the years to be exemplary components of local communities and neighborhoods; and

Whereas, Jacksonville #170 Order of the Eastern Star was chartered on October 3, 1908, under the authority of Worthy Grand Matron Nettie Page and Worthy Grand Patron H.A. Hatfield with Minnie Pearl Carter serving as the Jacksonville Worthy Matron, J.H. Stokes as Worthy Patron, and Anna Riley as Associate Matron; and

Whereas, in the year 2008 on the eve of its One Hundredth Anniversary, Jacksonville Order of the Eastern Star is guided by Worthy Matron Joyce Smith, Worthy Patron Gerald Luntsford, and Associate Matron Linda Williams; and

Whereas, located in Cairo, Missouri, the Jacksonville Order of the Eastern Star has developed and maintained an excellent reputation in light of its support for heart, cancer, diabetes, and youth charities; and

Whereas, the officers and members of Jacksonville Order of the Eastern Star also are noted for their dedication to helping the victims of sickness and distress; and

Whereas, Jacksonville Order of the Eastern Star has enjoyed having some of its members rise to statewide and national prominence, including Grand Officers Hazel Shoffner, Bettie Wright, and Helen Foster; Grand Representatives Bettie Wright, Connie Voley, Helen Foster, Becky Hocker, Joyce Smith, and Vera Haley; and numerous other members who have dutifully served as District Deputy Grand Matrons; and

Whereas, the Order of the Eastern Star is a charitable organization whose members must be eighteen years old or older, of good moral character, and affiliated with Masons:

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 Jacksonville #170 Order of the Eastern Star and to convey to all of those involved this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes as they celebrate the One Hundredth Anniversary of the establishment of their organization; 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 the Jacksonville #170 Order of the Eastern Star in Cairo, Missouri.

Offered by _____
 Representative Therese Sander
 District No. 22

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. 4008, adopted September 2, 2008.

 Rod Jetton, Speaker