

## House Resolution No. 4113

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives truly were saddened by the death of Grace Josephine (Rogers) Morgan on August 22, 2008, at the age of eighty-seven; and

**Whereas**, Grace Josephine Rogers was born on May 17, 1921, into the family of James and Helen Rogers of Monroe, Louisiana; and

**Whereas**, after moving to Saint Louis in 1928, Grace Rogers proved to be a stellar student who excelled in education and music, was a member of National Honor Society, graduated cum laude from Sumner High School, and earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in elementary education from Stowe Teachers College and a Master of Education degree from Northwestern University; and

**Whereas**, Grace Rogers married Herman E. Morgan on August 13, 1950, to become Grace Morgan and to form a marital union that would be blessed with the love and affection of their two children, Helen Elizabeth and Deborah Eileen; and

**Whereas**, Grace Morgan was a highly esteemed educator who assisted in the racial integration of Saint Louis public schools, served as the first African American head of the mathematics department at Beaumont High School, was a team leader and member of the North Central Accreditation Board, designed and implemented the mathematics program at Metro High School, and became an assistant professor of mathematics for Meramec Community College; and

**Whereas**, Grace Morgan was an ardent member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, the NAACP, the National Education Association, Urban League, the Sumner High School Alumni Association, and Saint James AME Church, which she faithfully served as president of the Señor y Señoritas Couples' Club, a member of the Funeral Ministry, and a Class Leader/Teacher; and

**Whereas**, preceded in death by her parents and a brother, James Harrison Rogers, Grace Morgan is survived by her husband; children; son-in-law, Joe Bryant; siblings, Myrtle Steward, Mildred Anderson, Helen Catlin, and Charles Rogers; grandchildren, Monique Norfolk and Gregory Caldwell; and a host of nieces, nephews, and other relatives:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to memorialize the life and work of the late Grace Morgan and to convey this legislative body's most heartfelt condolences to her family members, friends, and neighbors who now miss her considerable strength, warmth, and light in their daily lives; 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 memory of Grace Josephine (Rogers) Morgan of Saint Louis, Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Robin Wright Jones  
District No. 63

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. 4113, adopted September 11, 2008.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker