

## House Resolution No. 4310

**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**, fifty years ago on July 18, 1958, William H. Fortner took the hand of his beautiful bride, Hilda A. Padgett, as they began their commitment to a lifetime of shared love and devotion by exchanging wedding vows during a solemn ceremony officiated by the Reverend Samuel Lees at the Glad Tidings Church in St. Louis; and

**Whereas**, in the years since that heavenly day, William and Hilda Fortner have had the pleasure of watching their family grow to include three children and their spouses, Laura A. and Tony Marrocco, William Keith and Tammy Fortner, and Kevin and Tracy Fortner; five grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren; and

**Whereas**, William Fortner is known as a dedicated family man who generously provided his loved ones with a comfortable home and secure future through his successful endeavors as a property manager, from which he retired following more than thirty years of service; and

**Whereas**, a devoted wife, loving mother, and outstanding homemaker, Hilda Fortner further distinguished herself by working in the insurance and workman's compensation fields for more than thirty years prior to her retirement; and

**Whereas**, William and Hilda Fortner have enjoyed many hobbies and pastimes over the years, a few of which include bowling, playing golf, and reading; and

**Whereas**, Mr. and Mrs. Fortner, residents of Union, commemorated the glorious occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary with a special celebration on July 19, 2008, at the St. Clair Elks Hall:

**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 William and Hilda Fortner for their tremendous success in achieving a half century 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. William H. Fortner.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Brian Nieves  
District No. 98

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. 4310, adopted October 7, 2008.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker