

House Resolution No. 4449

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives recognize the significance of the institution of marriage as a vital foundation of American society and wholeheartedly believe that a successful union can be achieved only through a loving relationship of mutual honor, respect, and trust; and

Whereas, a period of five wondrous decades has passed since Gordian Grus lovingly took the hand of his beautiful bride, Barbara Overschmidt, during a solemn ceremony on May 30, 1958, at the St. Clare Catholic Church in St. Clair, Missouri; and

Whereas, in the years since that heavenly day, Gordian and Barbara Grus have had the pleasure of watching their family grow to include their children and their spouses, Ronald Grus, Nancy and Dave Baylard, Debbie and Mark Hoffman, Mary and Ron Hoffman, and Ricky Grus; and thirteen grandchildren; and

Whereas, Gordian Grus has compiled an impressive record of achievement that includes being a Korean War veteran of the United States Army, a farmer, and a retired electric plater; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Barbara Grus has further distinguished herself by serving as a senior secretary with Farm Bureau; and

Whereas, during their half century together, Gordian and Barbara Grus have cherished each other every day in sickness and in health with the love so deep in their hearts; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Grus of St. Clair commemorated the resplendent occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary with a special celebration hosted by their loved ones on May 31, 2008, at the St. Clair Knights of Columbus 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 Gordian and Barbara Grus 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. Gordian Grus.

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. 4449, adopted October 22, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker