

House Resolution No. 4173

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives feel it is altogether fitting and proper to pause from time to time to recognize individuals and organizations that have contributed to the welfare of this great state and its citizens; and

Whereas, the members now pause to recognize James D. "J.D." Patton, Sr., of Portageville, Missouri, who is celebrating his eightieth birthday this summer; and

Whereas, born in Dover, Arkansas, on August 30, 1927, J.D. Patton is the son of Walter and Lucy Ross Patton; and

Whereas, J.D. Patton is the retired owner and operator of Patton Plumbing, Heating & Cooling, in Portageville; and

Whereas, J.D. Patton nobly served his country during World War II in the Army Air Corps/ United States Air Force; and

Whereas, J.D. Patton is well known and respected for his service to his community, which includes three and one-half terms as Mayor of Portageville and as Water Commissioner for Portageville; and

Whereas, J.D. Patton is equally well known for his generosity to service organizations, as he is a three-time President of the local Kiwanis Club and served one term as Lieutenant Governor of the Missouri State Kiwanis Club; and

Whereas, J.D. Patton has been an active member of the J. Y. Church of God for fifty years, and has served his church in many and various capacities including that of Deacon; and

Whereas, J.D. Patton is the beloved husband Priscilla LaFerney Patton, and their union has been blessed with three children, Brenda Gardner, James Patton, Jr., and Mark Patton, five grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to extend our sincerest congratulations to J.D. Patton on the auspicious occasion of his eightieth birthday and to wish him many more to come; 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 James D. "J.D." Patton, Sr., of Portageville, Missouri, as a measure of our esteem.

Offered by _____
Representative Terry Swinger
District No. 162

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4173, adopted July 6, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker