

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 571  
By Jones R (Shel)

A RESOLUTION to honor Arthur Lee and Sidney Ruth Tiller Odell  
on the occasion of their Golden Wedding  
Anniversary.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to help special citizens celebrate milestones in their venerable lives; and

WHEREAS, on February 11, 1946, Arthur Lee Odell and Sidney Ruth Tiller were joined in holy matrimony, and since that fateful day this loving couple has shared the joys and sorrows of life's journey, facing the world as one; and

WHEREAS, Arthur and Ruth Odell are residents of Memphis and are highly respected citizens of their community; they are active in voter registration campaigns and members of Washington Chapel C.M.E. Church; and

WHEREAS, Arthur Odell is a World War II veteran who, with courage, dignity, and honor, served his family, community, state and country well; and

WHEREAS, Arthur has worked for Bradley Air Force Base in Mobile, Alabama, the Defense Depot in Memphis, Tennessee, and the United States Post Office from which he retired; and

WHEREAS, Arthur enjoys farming and hunting; and

WHEREAS, Sidney Ruth Tiller Odell is a beautician who loves people and takes pride in her craft; and

WHEREAS, Ruth has participated in the Big Sisters Program, does volunteer work with St. Jude Children's Research Hospital and is an active member of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, helping Tennesseans to register to vote; and

WHEREAS, the proud parents of Arthur Lee, Jr., Patricia, Sidney Ralph, Jacqueline and Terry Odell, Arthur and Ruth have six grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren whom they love dearly; and

WHEREAS, marriages such as the Odell's are truly the rock-solid foundation upon which our society is built, and their marriage is a beacon of sanity and continuity in these turbulent times; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby congratulate Arthur Lee and Sidney Ruth Tiller Odell upon the celebration of their Golden wedding anniversary and 50 years of dedication to each other and their family.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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