

**IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI**

**A RESOLUTION** honoring Mildred F. Scrutchfield on the occasion of her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.

**RESOLUTION NO. 21664**, June 24, 2024

**INTRODUCED BY** Sean E. Smith, County Legislator

WHEREAS, Mildred F. (Wheatley) Scrutchfield was born June 30, 1924, and this year, will attain the milestone of becoming a centenarian, having lived a life rich in experience; and,

WHEREAS, Mildred, the second oldest of five siblings, was raised on a farm near Odessa, MO, where she learned the enduring lessons of hard work and the importance of family; and,

WHEREAS, Mildred attended a one-room schoolhouse for grades 1 through 8 and furthered her education at Holden High School, graduating in 1945; and,

WHEREAS, Mildred married Russell Scrutchfield on December 5, 1946, and together they welcomed into the world two children, Sharon and Russell Wayne, forming a loving and resilient family; and,

WHEREAS, in the early 1950s, Mildred, Russell, and their children moved to Blue Springs, MO, and later settled on a 3-acre mini-farm in Lee's Summit, MO, embodying their enduring connection to farming and rural life; and,

WHEREAS, Mildred and Russell's commitment to farming persisted throughout their

lives, cultivating gardens and preserving their harvests, demonstrating their dedication to self-sufficiency and family traditions; and,

WHEREAS, Mildred and Russell were married for 59 years, until Russell's passing on April 17, 2006, a union marked by deep devotion and mutual respect, and leaving behind a legacy of love and companionship; and,

WHEREAS, following Russell's passing, Mildred lived a life of resilience and adaptability as she embraced new roles and responsibilities, continuing to nurture family bonds and traditions; and,

WHEREAS, Mildred remains a pillar of strength and love for her family and friends, serving as the matriarch of five generations, exemplifying the values of compassion, dedication, and kindness; and,

WHEREAS, Mildred's remarkable longevity can be attributed to a life filled with love, hard work, a harmonious partnership, an active lifestyle, and a steadfast commitment to caring for others; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri that the Legislature hereby congratulates Mildred F. Scrutchfield in recognition of her 100th birthday and her exemplary life of service, love, and dedication to her family and community.

Effective Date: This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage by a majority of the Legislature.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Whitney Miller  
Whitney Miller (Jun 20, 2024 10:47 CDT)  
County Counselor

Certificate of Passage

I hereby certify that the attached resolution, Resolution No. 21664 of June 24, 2024, was duly passed on June 24, 2024 by the Jackson County Legislature. The votes thereon were as follows:

Yeas 8

Nays 0

Abstaining 0

Absent 1

6-24-2024  
Date

Mary Jo Spino  
Mary Jo Spino, Clerk of Legislature