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| 4/27/2015 | 0    | County Legislature | assign to committee |        |

## IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

**A RESOLUTION** congratulating Opal Zucca on the occasion of her retirement after serving for over forty years as a foster parent to more than 465 children.

**RESOLUTION NO. 18817**, April 27, 2015

INTRODUCED BY Dan Tarwater III, County Legislator

WHEREAS, Opal Zucca, together with her late husband Herbert Zucca, has served as a foster parent to over 465 children in the Jackson County area since 1972; and,

WHEREAS, Opal and Herbert had five children of their own, four biological and one adopted child, Tim, Wyatt, Marta, Colette, and Keisha; and,

WHEREAS, Opal began fostering children after babysitting neighborhood children; and,

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WHEREAS, Opal and Herbert considered foster parenthood a calling and a way of giving back to the

community; and,

WHEREAS, Opal believes that it is important to develop a positive and mentoring relationship with

potential adoptive parents and/or biological parents; and,

WHEREAS, she encourages children under her care to have a relationship with the people that will

come to care for these children for the remainder of their lives and invites the parents to visit in her

home; and,

WHEREAS, prior to his death in 2012, Herb was active in the Army and Navy reserves, worked for

General Motors at its Leeds Plant, and served as a County Committeeman in the Blue Township for

four years; and,

WHEREAS, Opal will retire from foster parenting at the age of 84 when the last baby under her care

returns to his biological father this summer; and,

WHEREAS, Opal has numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren, and also continues to care

for children she once fostered, including a young man who is in residential care and visits her each

weekend; and,

WHEREAS, in retirement, Opal is looking forward to visiting her children more often, going to the

lake, and working in her yard; now therefore,

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| BE IT RESOLVED by the County Legislature o  | f Jackson County, Missouri, that the Legislature   |  |  |  |  |
| hereby congratulates Opal Zucca on the occasion   | of her retirement as a foster parent to numerous   |  |  |  |  |
| children in Jackson County and extends best wish  | es to her in the future.   |  |  |  |  |
| Enacted and Approved<br>Effective Date: This Resolution shall be effective<br>Legislature.      | immediately upon its passage by a majority of the  |  |  |  |  |
| APPROVED AS TO FORM:  |  |  |  |  |  |
|   | unty Counselor   |  |  |  |  |
| Certificate of Passage  |  |  |  |  |  |
| I hereby certify that the attached resolution, Repassed on May 11, 2015 by the Jackson County L | esolution No. 18817 of April 27, 2015, was duly egislature. The votes thereon were as follows: |  |  |  |  |
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Mary Jo Spino, Clerk of Legislature