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5 By: Senator Irvin
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7 **SENATE RESOLUTION**

8 TO HONOR THE DISTINGUISHED CAREER AND ACHIEVEMENTS OF
9 DR. ANTHONY MERYL GRASSE UPON HIS RETIREMENT.

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12 **Subtitle**

13 TO HONOR THE DISTINGUISHED CAREER AND
14 ACHIEVEMENTS OF DR. ANTHONY MERYL GRASSE
15 UPON HIS RETIREMENT.
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18 WHEREAS, in 1944, Dr. Anthony Meryl Grasse established the Mennonite
19 Medical Association and is its only living charter member; and
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21 WHEREAS, in 1959, Dr. Grasse opened the first hospital in Calico Rock,
22 Arkansas; and
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24 WHEREAS, Dr. Grasse was a member of the Calico Rock City Council from
25 1967-1993 and a member of the White River Area Agency on Aging from 1979-
26 1981; and
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28 WHEREAS, Dr. Grasse was awarded the Distinguished Service Award by the
29 Arkansas Hospital Association in 1991 and the Allen H. Esh Award by the
30 Mennonite Health Association in 1992; and
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32 WHEREAS, in 1995, Dr. Grasse was given the Culture for Service Award by
33 Goshen College in Goshen, Indiana; and
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35 WHEREAS, in 1999, Dr. Grasse was awarded the Key to the City of Calico
36 Rock. During the 40th anniversary of the Medical Center of Calico Rock, Dr.



1 Grasse and shareholders of the hospital donated the hospital to the community
2 and created a nonprofit organization with a community advisory board of
3 directors, changing the hospital's name to the Community Medical Center of
4 Izard County; and

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6 WHEREAS, Dr. Grasse was recognized in 2003 by the Retired Teachers
7 Association for Health Care in Izard County and was given the Chamber of
8 Commerce Ambassador Award by the City of Calico Rock; and

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10 WHEREAS, in 2009, Izard County Judge Rayburn Finley declared July 5th
11 as Dr. Meryl Grasse Day at the 50th year celebration of the hospital and Dr.
12 Grasse's fifty-seven (57) years of service to Izard County,

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14 NOW, THEREFORE,

15 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE EIGHTY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE
16 STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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18 THAT Dr. Anthony Meryl Grasse is honored upon his retirement for his
19 distinguished medical career and lifetime of service to Izard County.

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21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon adoption of this resolution, an
22 appropriate copy shall be provided to Dr. Anthony Meryl Grasse by the
23 Secretary of the Senate.