

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 386

By Harrison

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Montieze Fogle Potts on the celebration of her 100th birthday.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pay tribute to those exemplary citizens who are celebrating special occasions in their estimable lives; and

WHEREAS, Montieze Fogle Potts will be celebrating her 100th birthday on July 12, 2011, a milestone that will be commemorated as yet another precious souvenir of life's rich pageant; and

WHEREAS, the last remaining of ten children, Montieze Fogle Potts began her journey in life on July 12, 1911, in Livingston, South Carolina, when she was born to Erminia and Tillie Fogle; and

WHEREAS, Montieze Fogle Potts joined Edward Kirkland, Sr., in holy matrimony, and the couple's blessed union produced two treasured sons, Edward Kirkland, Jr., and the late Robert E. Kirkland; and

WHEREAS, Montieze Fogle Potts was later joined in marriage with Reverend C. N. Potts, and the couple's blessed union produced one wonderful daughter, Theresa Joyce Potts; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Potts is also the proud matriarch of four grandchildren, twelve great-grandchildren, and eleven great-great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Potts is best known for her delicious strawberry preserves, and she has given many jars of the prized delicacy to friends and family members; and

WHEREAS, Montieze Fogle Potts will celebrate her 100th birthday with her family in Pigeon Forge on July 7-9, 2011, and also with her family, friends, and community on July 17,

2011, at the Rogersville First United Methodist Church, where she is a devoted and faithful member; and

WHEREAS, a lady of great resolve and incredible achievements, Montieze Fogle Potts continues to bless all who know her with her indelible legacy and perpetual wisdom; and

WHEREAS, we wish to grasp this golden opportunity to specially recognize one of Tennessee's most outstanding citizens on this very special occasion; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING that we hereby honor and congratulate Montieze Fogle Potts, a stunning lady in numerous respects and a beloved mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and great-great-grandmother, on the celebration of her 100th birthday and extend to her our best wishes for much continued success and happiness in the years to come.

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