

House Resolution 723

By: Representative Burns of the 159<sup>th</sup>

### A RESOLUTION

1 Commending and congratulating Mother Thelma Roper Goldwire; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Mother Thelma Roper Goldwire was born on April 13, 1923, in Clyo, Georgia,  
3 to Reverend Walter Roper and Sally Sarah Elizabeth Solomon Roper, and this year she  
4 enjoys the delightful distinction of celebrating her 100th birthday; and

5 WHEREAS, the devotion, patience, and understanding she has demonstrated have provided  
6 the foundation of success from which her family members have developed and flourished,  
7 as evidenced by her ten wonderful children, 33 outstanding grandchildren, 53 exceptional  
8 great-grandchildren, and 25 remarkable great-great-grandchildren; and

9 WHEREAS, a woman of deep and abiding faith, she is an active member of Union Springs  
10 Methodist Church Inc. in Springfield, Georgia, where she serves on the Stewardess,  
11 Missionary, Auxiliary, and Women of H.O.P.E. boards; and

12 WHEREAS, she has further served her community as part of numerous civic organizations  
13 over the years, including the Effingham County NAACP, PTA of Effingham County  
14 Schools, Springfield Central High School Association Inc., American Cancer Society, Heart

15 Association of America, March of Dimes, and Effingham County Association for  
16 Developmental Disabilities; and

17 WHEREAS, Mother Thelma Roper Goldwire possesses the vast wisdom which only comes  
18 through experience and the strength of character which is achieved through overcoming the  
19 many challenges of life; and

20 WHEREAS, she is a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation for  
21 integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness; and

22 WHEREAS, a kind and generous person, Mother Thelma Roper Goldwire brings joy and  
23 happiness to her family and to the many friends and neighbors who have the great pleasure  
24 of knowing her; and

25 WHEREAS, by the example Mother Thelma Roper Goldwire has made of her life, she makes  
26 this world a better place in which to live, and it is only fitting and proper that she be  
27 appropriately recognized during this very special and memorable time.

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
29 the members of this body commend Mother Thelma Roper Goldwire for her unselfish,  
30 dedicated, and loving service to the members of her family and community; congratulate her  
31 on the remarkable occasion of her 100th birthday; and extend their most sincere best wishes  
32 for continued health and happiness.

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
34 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to  
35 Mother Thelma Roper Goldwire.