

Senate Resolution 1100

By: Senators Anderson of the 43rd, Jones II of the 22nd, Davenport of the 44th, Butler of the 55th, Jones of the 10th and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Hosie Lee Peterson; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, John 14:1 says, "Let not your heart be troubled; ye believe in God, believe also
3 in me"; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Hosie Lee Peterson was born in Mill Creek/Vernon, Florida, on October 9,
5 1934, to loving parents, Vinnie Brown Peterson and Lee Peterson; and
- 6 WHEREAS, after losing his mother at the age of four, Hosie initially was raised in the
7 Christian home of his maternal grandfather, Grandpa George "Buddy" Brown, and was later
8 raised in the God-fearing home of his paternal grandmother, Grandma Katie Peterson; and
- 9 WHEREAS, he attended Washington County Schools and, after becoming an adult, moved
10 to Panama City, Florida, where he met and married the love of his life, Willie Mae Reaves
11 Peterson; and
- 12 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, he was a member of St. Luke AME Church in
13 Vernon, Florida, and later moved his membership to Providence Full Gospel Methodist
14 Church in Panama City, Florida; and
- 15 WHEREAS, at a young age, Hosie became an entrepreneur by opening his first business in
16 entertainment and simultaneously learned about and perfected his trade in the stucco
17 business, through which he became successful and prosperous; and
- 18 WHEREAS, he was known for his craftsmanship with Stucco Homes by gaining business
19 along the coast of Florida and Mississippi; and
- 20 WHEREAS, Hosie was affectionately known as "Po Pete" and was greatly loved and will
21 forever be missed by his wife of more than 60 years, Willie Mae Peterson; his brother and

22 best friend, Samuel C. Peterson; cousins who are like sisters, Mae, Annie K., and Savannah;
23 and his remaining six children, 24 grandchildren, 50 great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews,
24 sisters and brothers-in-law, and many loving cousins and friends; and

25 WHEREAS, although the family released Hosie into the loving arms of Our Heavenly Father
26 on February 15, 2018, there is no doubt that they will see him once again.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
28 join in honoring the life and memory of Hosie Lee Peterson and express their deepest and
29 most sincere regret at his passing.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
31 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the family of
32 Hosie Lee Peterson.