## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 76**

## By Russell

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Lecta Walker Grace on the celebration of her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.

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

WHEREAS, Lecta Walker Grace celebrates her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday on January 31, 2023, a milestone commemorated as yet another precious souvenir of life's rich pageant; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Grace has lived an amazing life and has experienced firsthand the breadth and span of American history; and

WHEREAS, a highly respected member of her community, she served as a Clay County teacher for forty-two years and earned the respect of her students and colleagues alike for her exemplary teaching abilities; and

WHEREAS, she was a teacher at Moss Elementary School, the historic Beech Bethany School, and Hermitage Springs High School; she also taught first grade at Celina Elementary School and mathematics at Celina High School, the same school from which she graduated; and

WHEREAS, she is a joy to be around and a blessing to all who have the good fortune of knowing her; and

WHEREAS, as Lecta Grace approaches her eleventh decade, she remains a beloved member of her community who is admired for her wisdom, spirit of generosity, integrity, and enthusiasm for life; 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 THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE

CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Lecta Walker Grace on the celebration of her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday and extend to her our best wishes for many happy returns of the day.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.

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