

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 311

By Travis

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Joyce Ann Cook Travis on the celebration of her eightieth 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, Joyce Ann Cook Travis will celebrate her eightieth birthday on April 11, 2015, a milestone that will be commemorated as yet another precious souvenir of life's rich pageant; and

WHEREAS, the daughter of Mitchell Chester Cook and Celia May Roddy Cook, Joyce Travis graduated from Rhea Central High School. She earned her associate degree in education at Chattanooga State Community College and her bachelor's degree in business at Covenant College; and

WHEREAS, for many years, Mrs. Travis served with acumen and alacrity as a purchasing officer for Dayton Bank and Trust and as a purchasing agent for the Tennessee Valley Authority; she earned the respect of her peers and superiors alike for the exemplary quality of her work; and

WHEREAS, a former United Methodist Woman of the Year, Mrs. Travis served on the administrative board of her church and taught Sunday school. In addition, she taught Bible study in her home for many years; and

WHEREAS, on January 22, 1954, Joyce Ann Cook was joined in marriage to Vance Agnew Travis, and the couple's blessed union produced three children. She is the proud mother of Ronald Agnew (Laura) Travis, Timothy Mathes Travis, and Mark Lindsay (Kim) Travis; and

WHEREAS, she is also the doting grandmother of the late Jared Ryan Travis, Jessica Lauren Travis (Ben) Shannon, Rachel Lane Travis, Benjamin Mark Travis, and Andrew Vance Travis; and the loving great-grandmother of Alley Jo Shannon; and

WHEREAS, as Mrs. Travis approaches her ninth decade, she is still an active and productive member of society, participating in various civic and community events; 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 NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Joyce Ann Cook Travis on the celebration of her eightieth birthday, and extend to her our best wishes for much continued success and happiness.

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