

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1089

By Cooper

A RESOLUTION to recognize Minerva Little, Fourth Annual Living Legend Awards honoree.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we should specially recognize those estimable individuals who have dedicated their time and energies toward enhancing the quality of life in their communities; and

WHEREAS, one such individual is Minerva Little, who is being honored at the Fourth Annual Living Legend Awards in recognition of the leadership and service she has provided to the people of Shelby County; and

WHEREAS, a proven leader in her chosen profession and community, Minerva Little is the founder and publisher of the Memphis magazine *Spirit*; and

WHEREAS, *Spirit* magazine is an interdenominational, faith-based publication, which aims to encourage, uplift, and inspire its readers; *Spirit* reports information featuring pastors and churches in the Memphis community, as well as social church events, civic engagement, and positivity in the area; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Little devotes herself to not only her community but also to her family; she is the loving wife of Pastor Uliasea Little, the senior pastor of Christ Baptist Church in Whitehaven and a retired Memphis firefighter, and the mother of two talented sons and renowned musical prodigies, Courtney and Cody Little. She is also the grandmother to her fourth heartbeat; and

WHEREAS, guided by her faith in Christ, Mrs. Little is the founder of a resale store and furniture ministry, and through these initiatives, she has served many families in her community; and

WHEREAS, among her many accomplishments and honors, Mrs. Little saluted fifty women who were engaged in making a difference in the Memphis community; her mentor and one of the legendary mothers of the Civil Rights Movement, Xernona Clayton, honored the women that Mrs. Little observed as leaders, servants, and workers at the Inaugural MAD Lady Awards Dinner, sponsored by *Spirit* magazine; and

WHEREAS, throughout her estimable career, Minerva Little has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity; her commitment to excellence and community service is representative of the Volunteer State, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we congratulate Minerva Little upon her recognition at the Fourth Annual Living Legend Awards, applaud her outstanding community leadership, salute her professional expertise and personal excellence, and extend our best wishes for continued success in her future endeavors.

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.