

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1103

By Akbari

A RESOLUTION to congratulate Clara Louise Macklin on the occasion of her eightieth birthday.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly appreciates the contributions made by Tennesseans who have reached milestones in their lives; and

WHEREAS, one such Tennessean is Mrs. Clara Louise Macklin of Memphis, who reaches the remarkable age of eighty on October 19, 2014, and who continues to astound those around her with her energy and astuteness; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Macklin was the first of two children born to Tommie and Clara Matthews in White Station, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Macklin is the mother of eight children, Wanda Bearden, Debra Humphreys, Tommie Macklin, Karen Reed, Brenda Porter, Lisa Akbari, Mechelle Wilson and Yvonne Macklin; the proud grandmother of sixteen; and great-grandmother of eleven; and

WHEREAS, her devotion to her family is followed by a sincere devotion to her church, Greater New Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church, where she has been a faithful member for fifty-one years and where she serves as a member of the church's Mother's Board; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Macklin has lived in the Bunker Hill community of Memphis for most of her life and voted faithfully in District 91 since 1962; little did she realize that one day her granddaughter, Raumesh A. Akbari, would win the election in 2013 to become the State Representative for that district; and

WHEREAS, Clara Macklin is loved by her family, her church family and her many neighbors and friends in the Bunker Hill community of South Memphis where her influence and selfless nature have made an impact on those around her; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Clara Louise Macklin 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.