

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 316

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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Brooksie Burnett on the occasion of her ninety-first birthday.

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

WHEREAS, Brooksie Burnett celebrated her ninety-first birthday on April 10, 2009, a milestone that was commemorated as yet another precious souvenir of life's rich pageant; and

WHEREAS, for many years, Ms. Burnett has offered her wit and skill as a community news writer for *The Humboldt Chronicle*, in which position she has earned the respect of her peers and readers alike for the exemplary quality of her work; and

WHEREAS, she has been a regular writer for the newspaper for almost a quarter of a century; and

WHEREAS, extraordinarily gifted with words, Ms. Burnett described her ninety-first birthday as a joyous occasion, saying, "I have come through the garden of life and along the pathway planted some flower seeds. I have been to the hill, and I am on my way down, and I am picking flowers I planted yesterday. I've been through the storm and stood on, and I will plant some more deeds like seeds and not be moved like a tree. I am looking to the hill"; and

WHEREAS, we wish to grasp this golden opportunity to specially recognize one of our most outstanding citizens on this very special occasion; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate Brooksie Burnett on the celebration of her ninety-first birthday, thank her for her many contributions to *The Humboldt Chronicle* and the

community it serves, and extend to her our best wishes for many years of 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.