



HR0540

LRB097 13751 GRL 58304 r

1

HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate Lula Survel
4 Mitchom on the occasion of her 100th birthday on October 14,
5 2011; and

6 WHEREAS, Lula Mitchom was born on October 14, 1911, in
7 Darling, Mississippi; her parents were Willie Andrew Lee and
8 Sarah (Wright) Lee; she was raised by her father and
9 grandmother, Fannie Lee, in Darling; and

10 WHEREAS, Lula Mitchom and her family moved to Sikeston,
11 Missouri in the late 1920's; while living in Sikeston, she met
12 George Albert Mitchom, Sr.; she married George at age 17 on
13 February 24, 1929; they remained married for 67 years until his
14 death in 1997; and

15 WHEREAS, Lula Mitchom and her husband moved to a number of
16 cities because of George's work in highway construction; the
17 couple lived in Mt. Vernon, Rolla, Missouri, Dixie Springs, and
18 St. Louis, Missouri, before finally settling in Bridgeton,
19 Missouri; over the course of 20 years, they had 13 children;
20 George and his sons eventually built a home in Centreville, and
21 the family moved into the home in August of 1950; they have
22 remained in the State of Illinois ever since; and

1 WHEREAS, Lula Mitchom was employed as a private housekeeper
2 for several families for nearly 40 years; and

3 WHEREAS, Lula Mitchom loved to sew and made many dresses
4 for her daughters; she was also an excellent cook who was known
5 for her delicious cakes and pies; and

6 WHEREAS, Lula Mitchom is a faithful woman of God; she
7 joined Calvary Missionary Baptist Church soon after moving to
8 Centreville; she served as a Sunday school teacher for over 40
9 years and was a member of the Mother's Board and a Past
10 President of the Missionary Board; her husband was a Baptist
11 minister and they taught their children strong spiritual
12 beliefs and values; and

13 WHEREAS, Lula Mitchom is the matriarch of six generations;
14 along with her 13 children, she has 48 grandchildren, 119
15 great-grandchildren, and 58 great-great grandchildren; and

16 WHEREAS, Lula Mitchom is known by her family, friends, and
17 everyone she meets as a sweet, loving, and humble person whose
18 dedication to her family and the Lord is unmatched; therefore,
19 be it

20 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE

1 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
2 we congratulate Lula Survel Mitchom on the occasion of her
3 100th birthday and wish her many happy and healthy years to
4 come; and be it further

5 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
6 presented to Lula Mitchom as a symbol of our esteem and
7 respect.