

By: Representatives Smith (35th), Thomas

To: Rules

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 21

1 A RESOLUTION COMMENDING MS. BEULAH BELL NARMOUR COOPER ON THE
2 OCCASION OF HER 100TH BIRTHDAY.

3 WHEREAS, Ms. Beulah Bell Narmour Cooper was born February 18,
4 1902, in Choctaw County, Mississippi, to Jim Abner and Mary
5 Lillian Bell Narmour; and

6 WHEREAS, the second child of five children, Ms. Cooper moved
7 to the Mississippi Delta in 1916, attending school in Sunflower
8 County, Mississippi, and residing in the Marie Community; and

9 WHEREAS, Ms. Cooper, united in holy matrimony with Cornelius
10 Gooding Cooper on February 21, 1920, at the First Baptist Church
11 of Indianola, Mississippi, and to their union two daughters,
12 Esther and Ruth, were born; and

13 WHEREAS, Ms. Cooper maintained an active life, caring for her
14 disabled mother, keeping her home, garden and flowers, attending
15 the needs of her husband and children and graciously assisting her
16 neighbors in infinite capacities; and

17 WHEREAS, an avid reader, Ms. Cooper reads her Bible daily and
18 enjoys the melodious reverberations of tunes sung and played on
19 the piano, which create the nostalgic sensation of singing trio
20 with her two sisters; and

21 WHEREAS, Ms. Cooper, a genuine heroine at heart, entered into
22 a neighbor's burning home, awakening the potential victim and
23 ushering her to safety before the firemen's arrival; and

24 WHEREAS, incurring broken hips after falls in 1993 and 1997,
25 Ms. Cooper, with a strong will and an abundance of prayer, was
26 determined to overcome hardship by priding herself, not allowing



27 her injury to impose barriers on her life, but continued to
28 administer her self-care and her business affairs; and

29 WHEREAS, Ms. Cooper, who is continuously blessed by God, is
30 showered with love by her two daughters, Esther and Ruth; five
31 grandchildren; fourteen great-grandchildren; and seven
32 great-great-grandchildren; and

33 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives of
34 the State of Mississippi to recognize and commend such outstanding
35 citizens as Ms. Beulah Bell Narmour Cooper, whose dedication in
36 service to God, her family and fellowman epitomizes the standards
37 of motherhood and extraordinary citizenry:

38 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
39 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby
40 commend and congratulate Ms. Beulah Bell Narmour Cooper on the
41 occasion of her 100th birthday.

42 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
43 furnished to Ms. Beulah Bell Narmour Cooper and members of the
44 Capitol Press Corps.

