By: Representatives Clarke, Bailey, Banks, To: Rules Barnett (92nd), Blackmon, Bowles, Broomfield, Cameron, Clark, Coleman (29th), Coleman (65th), Denny, Dickson, Eakes, Eaton, Ellington, Ellis, Evans, Fillingane, Flaggs, Fleming, Fredericks, Frierson, Gibbs, Green, Guice, Harrison, Henderson, Hines, Holloway, Horne, Huddleston, Ishee, Jennings, Ketchings, Lott, Malone, Maples, Markham, Martinson, Masterson, Mayo, McBride, McCoy, Miles, Mitchell, Moak, Montgomery (15th), Montgomery (74th), Moody, Moore (100th), Moore (60th), Moss, Myers, Nettles, Perkins, Pierce, Robertson, Robinson (63rd), Robinson (84th), Rushing, Scott (17th), Scott (80th), Simpson, Smith (59th), Stevens, Straughter, Thomas, Wallace, Ward, Watson, Weathersby, Wells-Smith, West, Woods, Young, Zuber

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 52

A RESOLUTION COMMENDING MRS. JESSIE LEE BRYANT CLARK UPON THE 1 CELEBRATION OF HER 100TH BIRTHDAY. 2 WHEREAS, Mrs. Jessie Lee Bryant Clark, affectionately known 3 as Dear, will celebrate her 100th birthday on May 4, 2002; and 4 WHEREAS, Mrs. Clark was born and raised in Holly Bluff, Yazoo 5 6 County, Mississippi, with her 15 siblings by her parents, William and Mary Elisha Bryant; and 7 WHEREAS, Mrs. Clark attended Bayland School, although most of 8 the training and education she received was through the Sunday 9 School and youth activities of her church; and 10 11 WHEREAS, in 1924, Mrs. Clark married Lee Andrew Clark, a minister in the African Methodist Episcopal Church, which led to 12 13 many moves across the state to further his ministry including Natchez, Gulfport, Hattiesburg, Benton and Jackson, where Mrs. 14 Clark currently resides; and 15 WHEREAS, Mrs. Clark was a dedicated minister's wife and 16 loving mother, who managed the home with a small income and by 17 raising chickens, pigs, and gardening fruits and vegetables; and 18 19 WHEREAS, Mrs. Clark still enjoys spending her time gardening,

20 quilting and traveling; and

21 WHEREAS, Mrs. Clark is an active member of New Bethel African 22 Methodist Episcopal Church in Jackson, Mississippi, where she is a 23 member of the Sunday School, the Missionary Society and the 24 Stewardess Board No. 2; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Clark has been recognized for her outstanding 25 community involvement and continues to mentor to young people and 26 instill in them daily, the moral values of Christianity; and 27 28 WHEREAS, Mrs. Clark has been lovingly supported by her late 29 husband, Reverend Lee Andrew Clark; seven children: Lee Andrew, 30 Jr., Sidney Lawrence, Vester Lee, Annie Mary, Madison Columbus, Ethel Salenia and Howard William; 12 grandchildren; 12 31 great-grandchildren; four great-great-grandchildren; and a host of 32 other relatives; and 33

34 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives of 35 the State of Mississippi to recognize and commend outstanding 36 Mississippians such as Mrs. Clark, who has dedicated her life to 37 her family and serving her community:

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 Mrs. Jessie Lee Bryant Clark upon the 41 celebration of her 100th birthday and express our heartiest wishes 42 for happiness and good health.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be furnished to Mrs. Jessie Lee Bryant Clark and to members of the Capitol Press Corps.