By: Representatives Straughter, Bailey

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 100

A RESOLUTION COMMENDING MRS. WILLIE TURNER FOR HER
OUTSTANDING COMMUNITY SERVICE AND LIFEWORK IN HUMPHREYS COUNTY.
WHEREAS, Mrs. Willie Turner who was born September 27, 1911,
to the late Abe and Leaire Cotton, is being recognized on March
25, 2006, for her community service and lifework at Calvary M.B.
Church, where she is a member; and

7 WHEREAS, a proud resident of Midnight, Mrs. Turner has
8 touched the lives of nearly half the population of Humphreys
9 County as a midwife who delivered over 2,063 babies in the county
10 and surrounding counties; and

11 WHEREAS, Mrs. Turner, learned the skill of assisting in the 12 delivery of babies by receiving training from her aunt, Rhoda 13 Gails, and Dr. W.A. James, and after retiring as a midwife, she 14 worked with the Mississippi Nutrition Aid Program for nine years 15 where she won numerous awards; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Turner, now 94 years of age, has been a 16 community activist and continues to touch lives by taking a 17 special interest in families in need of clothing and food; and 18 WHEREAS, a true missionary, Mrs. Turner spent her own 19 20 resources and time collecting clothing and food for delivery to those in need, and she continues to send cards and visit the sick, 21 22 shut-ins and destitute in Midnight and the surrounding areas; and 23 WHEREAS, Mrs. Turner, a lover of gardening, continues to be a vibrant and charismatic woman who touches the lives of those who 24 25 are less fortunate; and

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26 WHEREAS, a proud and caring mother, Mrs. Turner has been 27 steadfastly supported by her four children, 17 grandchildren, 20 28 great-grandchildren and one sister; and

29 WHEREAS, Mrs. Turner, who has a sincere love for people, 30 serves as an inspirational role model to many individuals in 31 Humphreys County by living the motto of putting the needs of 32 others before her own; and

33 WHEREAS, it is the policy of the House of Representatives to 34 recognize and commend an individual such as Mrs. Willie Turner, as 35 she makes her community a better place to live by being a shining 36 light to Humphreys County as a whole:

37 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
38 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we do hereby
39 commend and recognize Mrs. Willie Turner for her community service
40 and lifework and wish her continued success in all her future
41 endeavors.

42 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be 43 furnished to Mrs. Willie Turner and to the members of the Capitol 44 Press Corps.