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4 Beckman, Black, Blackshear, Boothe, Boyd, Bracy, Brown,
5 Buskey, Butler, Carns, Chesteen, Chestnut, Clarke, Clouse,
6 Coleman, Collins, Crawford, Daniels, Davis, Drake, Drummond,
7 Ellis, England, Farley, Faulkner, Faust, Fincher, Ford, Forte,
8 Fridy, Garrett, Gaston, Givan, Greer, Grimsley, Hall, Hanes,
9 Harbison, Harper, Henry, Hill, Hollis, Holmes (A), Holmes (M),
10 Howard, Hurst, Ingram, Jackson, Johnson (K), Johnson (R),
11 Jones, Knight, Lawrence, Ledbetter, Lee, Lindsey, Lovvorn,
12 Martin, McCampbell, McClammy, McCutcheon, McMillan, Millican,
13 Mooney, Moore (B), Moore (M), Morrow, Nordgren, Pettus,
14 Polizos, Poole, Pringle, Rich, Rogers, Rowe, Sanderford,
15 Scott, Sells, Sessions, Shedd, Shiver, South, Standridge,
16 Todd, Treadaway, Tuggle, Wadsworth, Warren, Weaver, Whorton
17 (I), Whorton (R), Wilcox, Williams (JD), Williams (JW),
18 Williams (P), Wingo and Wood
19 RFD: Rules
20 First Read: 22-FEB-18

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2 ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,

3 COMMENDING MRS. JANE J. MITCHELL ON THE OCCASION OF
4 HER 100TH BIRTHDAY.

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6 WHEREAS, highest commendations are herein proudly
7 presented to Mrs. Jane J. Mitchell on the occasion of her
8 100th Birthday on February 25, 2018; and

9 WHEREAS, Mrs. Mitchell was born February 25, 1918,
10 to the union of Willie Gaston and Lena Washington Mitchell in
11 Koenton, Alabama; when her mother passed away before her
12 second birthday, she went to live with her great-grandparents,
13 Will and Georgiana Jackson; and

14 WHEREAS, after the death of her great-grandfather,
15 Mrs. Mitchell's great-grandmother, Grandma Georgiana, a
16 Cherokee from South Carolina, reared her alone; during the
17 winter of 1924 when she was six-years-old, Mrs. Mitchell
18 attended Rosenwald School in Koenton, Alabama, where Johnny
19 Raine served as principal and her first grade teacher was Ms.
20 Virginia Washington; and

21 WHEREAS, she attended school through the eleventh
22 grade; she owned only one dress, which she wore with cotton
23 stockings and brogans; her favorite subjects were math,
24 spelling, and reading; many years later, she obtained her GED;
25 she took 32 lessons in Nursing and received her certificate,

1 and she attended evening classes at Bishop State Community
2 College, where she majored in Elementary Education; and

3 WHEREAS, Mrs. Mitchell met her husband, Arthella,
4 during a revival at True Light Baptist Church in September
5 1935, and the couple was united in Holy matrimony in Koenton,
6 Alabama, by Reverend A.D. Fox; their union was blessed with 13
7 children; one foster child; 78 grandchildren; 162
8 great-grandchildren; 105 great-great-grandchildren; and one
9 great-great-great-grandchild; they were married until
10 Arthella's death on September 25, 2005; and

11 WHEREAS, Mrs. Mitchell began working at the
12 Washington County Hospital in 1961; she and Arthella moved
13 from Koenton, Alabama, to Chatom, Alabama, in 1962, where Mrs.
14 Mitchell worked at the hospital for six years; in 1969, Jane
15 entered employment with the United States Postal Service,
16 where she worked 15 years; she served as a substitute teacher
17 for the Washington County Public School System from 1981 until
18 1984; in 1984, she became Pastor of the Church of God
19 Deliverance in Chatom, Alabama; while serving as pastor, she
20 worked part-time at Chatom's Nutrition Center; she remained
21 Pastor until September 2015 when she turned the church over to
22 her grandson, Bishop Roger Kirksey; and

23 WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell lived exemplary lives
24 of integrity for their children to witness the way of
25 righteousness in practice; they taught and exemplified strong

1 Christian values for their children; Mrs. Mitchell had five
2 brothers, ML, Milton, Void, Dan, and Charlie; and three
3 sisters, Ida Lee, Ivy, and Bessie; and

4 WHEREAS, a 100th Birthday is a significant milestone
5 that represents a century's worth of wisdom earned and
6 memories gained and is a cause for great rejoicing; it is a
7 tremendous privilege to recognize a remarkable lady such as
8 Mrs. Jane J. Mitchell on her special day; now therefore,

9 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
10 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Mrs. Jane J. Mitchell is
11 highly honored and commended, and this resolution is offered
12 to her in highest tribute, as well as with sincere best wishes
13 for continued prosperity and blessings.

