

1 HJR26
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3 By Representative Beech
4 RFD: Rules
5 First Read: 05-MAR-15

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2 ENROLLED, House Joint Resolution,

3 COMMENDING DOROTHY WHIGHAM FOR OUTSTANDING
4 PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT AND SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY.

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6 WHEREAS, highest commendations and congratulations
7 are herein proudly presented to Dorothy Whigham for
8 outstanding professional achievement and service to the
9 community; and

10 WHEREAS, Mrs. Whigham has the utmost distinction of
11 being the first nurse hired at Washington County Hospital when
12 it opened in 1953; prior to this, she was a private duty nurse
13 in the surrounding communities; and

14 WHEREAS, Mrs. Whigham cultivated a distinguished
15 tenure as Director of Nurses at Washington County Hospital;
16 she was one of two scrub nurses in surgery during this era;
17 she was on-call for night emergency surgery cases and
18 delivery; many times, she delivered babies before the doctor
19 arrived; she taught Candy Stripper classes and Nurse's Aid
20 classes and volunteered for the Red Cross for numerous years;
21 she retired from the hospital in 1996; since she lived across
22 the street from the hospital, she was called in from time to
23 time to work; and

24 WHEREAS, at one point, Mrs. Whigham visited the
25 Nursing Home nearly every day, comforting patients and helping

1 whenever she could; she has received a number of awards for
2 her volunteer and community efforts; and

3 WHEREAS, Mrs. Whigham graduated from Murphy High
4 School in 1942 and from the Mobile Infirmary School of Nursing
5 in 1945; she married James Robert Whigham in 1946 and moved to
6 Millry, Alabama; she was married to Harvey Reynolds for eight
7 years until his death in 2004; and

8 WHEREAS, Mrs. Whigham currently alternately resides
9 with her children in Pensacola, Gulf Shores, and Millry; she
10 celebrated her 90th Birthday in August 2014; and

11 WHEREAS, Mrs. Whigham's record of excellence, along
12 with her altruism, reflects immense honor upon the entire
13 State of Alabama, and she is truly deserving of special
14 recognition; now therefore,

15 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
16 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Dorothy Whigham is highly
17 honored and commended, and this resolution is offered to her
18 in deepest admiration and appreciation, along with sincere
19 best wishes for the future.

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4 Speaker of the House of Representatives

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6 President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

7 House of Representatives

8 I hereby certify that the within Act originated in
9 and was adopted by the House 12-MAR-15.

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Jeff Woodard
Clerk

Senate

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