

House Resolution No. 761

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are delighted to honor an outstanding Missourian who has witnessed dramatic changes in America during her sojourn on this most precious earth; and

Whereas, Iola Cornelius Henson of St. Louis, Missouri, will commemorate the resplendent occasion of her One Hundredth First Birthday on March 6, 2005; and

Whereas, on March 6, 1904, in Eufaula, Oklahoma, God brought a special gift to this great nation with the birth of an adorable infant by the name of Iola, who would put a twinkle in people's eyes and fill their hearts with love and joy; and

Whereas, while celebrating her birthday, Iola Henson will have the opportunity to reminisce about some of the significant events in her life such as growing up in the company of one sister, Ruth Cornelius (deceased); attending Sumner High School, Sumner Teachers College, and Stowe Teachers College; and marrying Tony Henson (deceased); and

Whereas, a member of the Missouri Century Club, Iola Henson has distinguished herself by being a teacher with the St. Louis Public Schools, a former Sunday school teacher, and a member of a horticultural club, the NAACP (National Association for the Advancement of Colored People), the National Council of Negro Women, the Poro Club, and the Clarence Hayden Wilson Music Guild, of which she is former President; and

Whereas, at the respectable age of 100, Iola Henson is extremely grateful for the countless blessings she has received throughout the course of her long and eventful life:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations and special birthday greetings to Iola Henson at this significant milestone and in wishing her peace and contentment as she continues to enjoy her golden years; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Iola Cornelius Henson, as a measure of our esteem for her.

Offered by _____
Representative Amber (Holly) Boykins
District No. 60

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 761, adopted February 24, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker