

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 342

By Kumar

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Norma Lenzi Parham on the celebration of her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly pay tribute to those citizens who are celebrating special occasions in their estimable lives; and

WHEREAS, Norma Lenzi Parham will celebrate her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday on May 10, 2019, a milestone that will be commemorated as yet another precious souvenir of life's rich pageant; and

WHEREAS, the daughter of Sebastian and Rosa Buchignani Lenzi, Mrs. Parham was born and raised in Memphis with her six siblings, John Lenzi, Paul Lenzi, Reverend Angelo Lenzi, Joseph Lenzi, and, twin sister, Nora Liberto; and

WHEREAS, for many years, Norma Lenzi Parham served with acumen and alacrity at her family's grocery store, Goldsmith's, D Canale, and Memphis Light Gas and Water, in which positions she earned the respect of her peers and superiors alike for the exemplary quality of her work; and

WHEREAS, on August 15, 1948, Norma Lenzi was joined in marriage with William S. Parham at St. Paul Catholic Church, and the couple's blessed union produced three children, Reverend William J. Parham, Rosemary P. (Jeff) Baranski, and Paul V. (Ivy) Parham, and three grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, as Norma Parham approaches her eleventh decade, she is still an active and productive member of society, participating in various civic and community events, as her health permits; she is best known for her wonderful cooking and her beautiful crochet work; and

WHEREAS, we wish to grasp this golden opportunity to specially recognize one of Tennessee's most outstanding citizens on this very special occasion; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Norma Lenzi Parham on the celebration of her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday and extend to her our best wishes for much continued success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.