

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 946

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A RESOLUTION to honor and commend the National Coalition of 100 Black Women, Inc., Chattanooga chapter, on the occasion of its twenty-fifth anniversary.

WHEREAS, the National Coalition of 100 Black Women, Inc. (NCBW), Chattanooga chapter, currently led by President Deborah Flagg, has a wide-reaching impact on the community it serves by building long-lasting and effective programs for women and girls in the areas of health, education, and economic empowerment; and

WHEREAS, this year marks the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Chattanooga chapter, as its members celebrate a quarter-century of impactful actions in their community; and

WHEREAS, NCBW Chattanooga was established on October 26, 1995, after two years of organization and planning by interested women in the area; and

WHEREAS, the Chattanooga chapter reaches an audience of 200-300 women each year at its health conference, Make it Matter, Make it Happen, Make it a Healthy Lifestyle; now in its fourth year, the conference has seven areas of focus: autoimmune disorders, adolescent well-being, financial wellness, oral hygiene, mental health, sexual harassment and domestic violence, and the opioid abuse epidemic; and

WHEREAS, NCBW Chattanooga has implemented a dental voucher assistance program to give women in lower-income households the opportunity to have regular and panoramic X-rays and fluoride cleanings; and

WHEREAS, wholly devoted to serving their community, the members of the Chattanooga chapter host political forums and conduct voter registration drives; and

WHEREAS, NCBW Chattanooga members mentor students at Chattanooga Girls Leadership Academy (CGLA), which primarily serves girls of color and concentrates on the

fundamentals of science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM), to increase the representation of women and people of color in these fields; and

WHEREAS, NCBW Chattanooga also awards \$10,000 in scholarships annually through its Reach to the Future program for students who attend CGLA and local inner-city high schools; and

WHEREAS, the members of NCBW Chattanooga consistently demonstrate their president's favorite quote, "Great women raise great women who raise great women," and it is fitting that we honor the organization at this time; 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 honor and commend the members, past and present, of the National Coalition of 100 Black Women, Inc., Chattanooga chapter, on their twenty-fifth anniversary and extend our best wishes for every continued success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.