

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 476

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to pay tribute to Flossie Jenkins Sweat on the grand occasion of her 100th birthday; and

WHEREAS, Flossie Jenkins was born on March 26, 1907, in the town of Shiloh in Delta County; she married Olson Sweat on July 1, 1928; the couple and their daughter, Zora Mae, moved to the Texas town of Colorado City in January of 1944; and

WHEREAS, She began teaching at Kelley Elementary School as a third-grade classroom teacher and eventually became the music teacher for the first, second, and third grades; she also taught private piano lessons in her home; and

WHEREAS, She taught Sunday School classes and music in the primary department at the First Baptist Church in Colorado City; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Sweat worked with teachers and legislators to pass legislation providing financial security for retired schoolteachers; their efforts were rewarded when the governor signed the Teacher Retirement System into law in 1937; and

WHEREAS, Flossie Sweat has been a lifelong advocate for the Teacher Retirement System; after her husband died, she made Austin her home and she continued to monitor legislation regarding the retirement system; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Sweat has three grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, and a great-great-granddaughter; her family and friends will join her on March 24, 2007, to congratulate her and celebrate her 100th birthday; the event, hosted by her daughter and son-in-law, Zora Mae and Ross Hise, will salute this important milestone in her life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby recognize Flossie Jenkins Sweat as a treasured citizen of the State of Texas and extend to her best wishes for a wonderful birthday celebration; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for her as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

Watson

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the
above Resolution was adopted by
the Senate on March 14, 2007.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate