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H.R. No. 1467

## RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, Mary Elizabeth Dunham is celebrating her 80th 2 birthday on April 29, 2011, and this significant occasion presents 3 an ideal opportunity to honor a beloved Houstonian; and

WHEREAS, Born in Shreveport, Louisiana, in 1931, Mary Dunham has lived in the Kashmere Gardens neighborhood in Houston for more than 55 years; active in her community, she assists in feeding the hungry and counsels young people on the importance of education, and she volunteers for and participates in many events for local senior citizens, even providing transportation when needed; and

10 WHEREAS, Mrs. Dunham has been a faithful member of the Duncan 11 Memorial Church of God in Christ for more than half a century and 12 has generously shared her time and talents with the church and its 13 ministries; and

14 WHEREAS, She raised eight children, Bernita, Andre, Fredrick, Larthia, Reginald, Byron, Eric, and Mark, and experienced 15 16 the joy of seeing all of them go to college, attending such schools as Texas Tech University, the University of Houston, Prairie View 17 A&M University, Texas Woman's University, and the University of 18 Northern Iowa; Mrs. Dunham has also welcomed 45 grandchildren and 19 20 21 great-grandchildren into her family; and

21 WHEREAS, Mary Dunham is a source of wisdom and inspiration to 22 all who are privileged to know her, and it is a pleasure to honor her 23 on eight decades of life well lived; now, therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 82nd Texas

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H.R. No. 1467 1 Legislature hereby congratulate Mary Elizabeth Dunham on the 2 occasion of her 80th birthday and extend to her sincere best wishes 3 for continued happiness; and, be it further

4 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be 5 prepared for Mrs. Dunham as an expression of high regard by the 6 Texas House of Representatives.