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H.R. No. 1012

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Jimmie Nell McCracken of Georgetown is
2 commemorating a Capitol occasion on March 19, 2013, when she
3 celebrates a milestone birthday under the pink dome in the company
4 of her son, State Representative Scott Sanford; and

5 WHEREAS, Born in Lampasas to James and Dixie McGehee, the
6 former Jimmie Nell McGehee grew up in Carrollton and graduated from
7 Carrollton High School, where she was a majorette; her father was a
8 World War II veteran who had been stationed on the destroyer USS
9 *Mertz* in the Pacific theater, and he drew on his military experience
10 to become a respected civic leader; over the years, he was elected
11 to the city council and school board, and he also served his fellow
12 citizens as president of the chamber of commerce; and

13 WHEREAS, Mrs. McCracken continues her father's legacy of
14 service as a devoted member of her church and her community, and
15 among her many contributions, she has volunteered extensively for
16 Meals on Wheels; she also takes an active interest in our democratic
17 process and was not deterred even by 100-degree heat when it came
18 time to campaign for her son; and

19 WHEREAS, Blessed with a fine family, Mrs. McCracken draws
20 continuing support from her husband, Jack McCracken, who is the
21 grandson of a member of the 25th Texas Legislature and a decorated
22 Marine veteran; her life is further enriched by her daughter,
23 Catherine, and her four grandchildren, Ryan, Lauren, Justin, and
24 Haley, and she spends many a contented hour with her cherished

1 canine companion, Muffin; and

2 WHEREAS, This esteemed woman delights her loved ones in
3 countless ways, with her culinary talents ranking near the top of
4 the list, and while her flair for Texas dishes cannot be overstated,
5 it is her cherry cobbler that often steals the show; her
6 appreciation for the finer things also extends to traveling, most
7 especially when her destination is a foreign country; and

8 WHEREAS, Jimmie Nell McCracken is a source of joy and
9 inspiration to all who are fortunate to know her, and it is a
10 pleasure to join her friends and family in honoring her for crafting
11 a life rich in the intangibles that matter most; now, therefore, be
12 it

13 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas
14 Legislature hereby wish Jimmie Nell McCracken a very happy birthday
15 and extend to her a warm welcome to the State Capitol; and, be it
16 further

17 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
18 prepared for Mrs. McCracken as an expression of high regard by the
19 Texas House of Representatives.