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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, The 100th birthday of an esteemed Texan is truly
2 cause for celebration, and Juanita Musgrove Fortenberry Guidry is
3 reaching that impressive milestone on June 6, 2019; and

4 WHEREAS, Born in Votaw in 1919, the former Juanita Musgrove
5 grew up on a farm during the Great Depression, learning a strong
6 work ethic early in life; at the age of 18, she married Thirston
7 Thomas Fortenberry, a carpenter and itinerant preacher; and

8 WHEREAS, The couple lived in Woodville for many years, where
9 she ran the household and raised four children; she also helped
10 provide for her family by working as a seamstress and raising crops
11 for sale, and at the age of 40, she took her first job outside the
12 home; and

13 WHEREAS, Mr. Fortenberry died in the early 1980s, and
14 Mrs. Guidry later remarried and was widowed again with the passing
15 of her second husband; she now lives in Teague, delighting in the
16 life she shares with her daughter and her family; and

17 WHEREAS, Juanita Guidry has witnessed a panorama of change
18 over the course of a century, and she has met life's challenges and
19 opportunities with dignity and determination, earning the deep
20 admiration of all who are privileged to know her; now, therefore, be
21 it

22 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
23 Legislature hereby congratulate Juanita Musgrove Fortenberry
24 Guidry on her 100th birthday and extend to her sincere best wishes

1 for continued happiness; and, be it further

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