

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 176

WHEREAS, The 104th birthday of an esteemed Texan is truly cause for celebration, and Georgia Raven Rosborough of Marshall reached that impressive milestone on February 22, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Born in 1917 in the Shady Grove community near Marshall, Mrs. Rosborough grew up on a farm with two sisters and three brothers, learning the value of hard work at an early age; she was the valedictorian of her seventh-grade class, after which she had to leave school to help support her family by making quilts with her mother and working on the family farm; and

WHEREAS, After marrying, Mrs. Rosborough farmed with her husband, raising crops as well as chickens, cows, and hogs, and she continued to maintain the farm with her sons after her husband's death in 1965; three years later, she found employment at a nursing home, where she worked in the laundry; she married again in 1975, and in 1992, she retired from the nursing home at the age of 75; and

WHEREAS, In retirement, Mrs. Rosborough took up crafts and began making refrigerator magnets; she eventually returned to sewing quilts, taking orders and shipping her creations around the world; today she enjoys reading and playing dominos, and she continues to attend Shady Grove Christian Methodist Episcopal Church in Marshall when she can; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Rosborough is the proud matriarch of a family that has grown to include 12 children along with three additional generations; on the occasion of her 100th birthday in 2017, a book about her life, *Georgia*, was published, written by one of her granddaughters and illustrated by another, and on

February 27, 2021, her 104th was celebrated with a socially distanced drive-by parade in Marshall; and

WHEREAS, The granddaughter of a former slave, Georgia Rosborough has lived through a panorama of change, and she has met life's challenges and opportunities with dignity and grace, earning the deep admiration of all who are privileged to know her; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 87th Legislature, hereby congratulate Georgia Raven Rosborough on her 104th birthday and extend to her sincere best wishes for continued happiness; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for Mrs. Rosborough as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

Hughes

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on March 22, 2021.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate