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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives wish to congratulate Lillian Lorena Watts on  
4 the occasion of her 100th birthday; and

5 WHEREAS, Lillian Watts was born in Springfield to Lorena  
6 and James Watts on November 27, 1923; she moved from Michigan  
7 to Chicago in 1947; and

8 WHEREAS, Lillian Watts married twice, first to James  
9 Griffie in the 1950s and then Luster Fowler in the 1990s; and

10 WHEREAS, Lillian Watts worked at the University of  
11 Illinois Hospital in environmental services until her  
12 retirement in 1988; and

13 WHEREAS, Lillian Watts has two sons, Charles Watts and  
14 Edward Griffie, eight grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren,  
15 and 12 great-great-grandchildren; and

16 WHEREAS, Lillian Watts has been a member of New Light  
17 Baptist Church "The Purple Church" for over 60 years; and

18 WHEREAS, Lillian Watts has always enjoyed dancing and  
19 bowling but gains the most joy now by spending time with her

1 family and grandchildren; and

2 WHEREAS, Lillian Watts stays active by weekly visits to  
3 Chicago Commons Adult Day Services, where she participates in  
4 social and recreational activities; therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
6 HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
7 we congratulate Lillian Lorena Watts on her 100th birthday and  
8 wish her many more wonderful years; and be it further

9 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
10 presented to Lillian Watts a symbol of our respect and esteem.