

House Resolution 1293

By: Representatives Ray of the 136th and O'Neal of the 146th

A RESOLUTION

1 Congratulating Mrs. Mary Edith McFall on the occasion of her 89th birthday; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Mrs. Mary Edith McFall was born on February 2, 1917, to Thornton Lowell and
4 Reba Olive Nuzum in Muncie, Indiana; two months premature, she spent her first months of
5 life in a shoe box, behind a wood burning kitchen stove; and

6 WHEREAS, after graduating high school in 1934, she worked in the infants department of
7 Polsky Department Store in Akron, Ohio, and as an elevator operator in the Akron Tower
8 Building to earn money for nurse training; and

9 WHEREAS, Mrs. McFall graduated from nursing school at Ball State School of Nursing at
10 Muncie, Indiana, in 1938; and

11 WHEREAS, while at Ball State, she met the late Voris Francis McFall, a pre-med student,
12 and the two subsequently married in 1940; and

13 WHEREAS, Mrs. McFall worked at Riley Hospital in Indianapolis as a registered nurse and
14 at Delco Remy in Anderson, Indiana, as an industrial nurse during World War II while her
15 husband served in the South Pacific; and

16 WHEREAS, during the trying years of WWII, Mrs. McFall supported the war effort by
17 selling chickens, eggs, milk, cottage cheese, and butter from the McFall farm, never asking
18 for ration stamps; during this time she also worked in the Nuzum family restaurant as the
19 meat purveyor; and

20 WHEREAS, the McFalls enjoyed a long and loving marriage, during which they traveled the
21 world with their three children because of Dr. McFall's career as a military physician; later

1 Mrs. McFall supported her husband's medical practice in Fort Valley, Georgia, by running
2 the business office and keeping the books; and

3 WHEREAS, a member of both Saint Andrew's Episcopal Church and the First Baptist
4 Church Lydia Sunday School Class, Mrs. McFall served as president of the Fort Valley
5 Women's Club and as regent of the John A. Treutlen Chapter of the Daughters of the
6 American Revolution; and

7 WHEREAS, this remarkable lady continues to enjoy spending time with her five
8 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren, play bridge once a week, go to the gym every
9 day at 5:00 A.M., and open McDonald's for breakfast at 6:00 A.M.; and

10 WHEREAS, Mrs. McFall celebrated her 89th birthday on February 2, 2006.

11 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
12 the members of this body join in congratulating Mrs. Mary Edith McFall on the occasion of
13 her 89th birthday and extend to her their very best wishes.

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
15 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mrs. Mary Edith McFall.