

Senate Resolution 564

By: Senator Tate of the 38th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Lillie Mae Barnett Williams; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Lillie Mae Barnett Williams was born on October 9, 1913, in Athens, Georgia,
3 the oldest child of Hattie Jones Barnett and Odie Barnett; and
- 4 WHEREAS, her early life was centered around the agrarian community in which her parents
5 and three brothers and three sisters lived, and Chestnut Grove Baptist Church was the center
6 of the Barnett family's religious affiliation; and
- 7 WHEREAS, her formal education began at Chestnut Grove and later at Union Baptist
8 Institute, and because of the responsibilities of living in the agrarian community, she was
9 only allowed to go to school a few months out of the year; and
- 10 WHEREAS, she married Celuther Williams and is blessed with the joys of her life: three
11 beloved children, two grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren, and one
12 great-great-grandchild; and
- 13 WHEREAS, a woman of deep and abiding faith, she has served Ebenezer Baptist Church
14 faithfully over 50 years as a deaconess, a member of the OPALS, and a Sunday school and
15 Bible study attendee, and she now is very active in the Seniors' Ministry at West Side
16 Community CME Church in Atlanta, Georgia; and
- 17 WHEREAS, this remarkable individual will be celebrating her 100th birthday on
18 October 9, 2013, and her love of family and willingness to serve has provided a shining
19 example for all to follow.
- 20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
21 recognize and commend Lillie Mae Barnett Williams on the grand occasion of her 100th
22 birthday and wish her many more years of happiness.

- 23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
24 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Lillie Mae Barnett Williams.