

House Resolution 504

By: Representatives Smyre of the 135th and Hugley of the 136th

A RESOLUTION

1 Congratulating Mrs. Daisy Marilyn Johnson Hardeman on the grand occasion of her 100th
2 birthday; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Mrs. Daisy Marilyn Johnson Hardeman was born to the late Elder B. and Mrs.
4 Janie Johnson in Athens, Georgia, on February 2, 1915, and was one of their seven children,
5 of whom she is the only surviving child; and

6 WHEREAS, she is a graduate of Athens High School and Morris Brown College of Atlanta,
7 Georgia; she served as a devoted educator in Athens, Atlanta, Madison, Macon, Philadelphia,
8 and New Jersey; she was the first African American teacher in the city of Athens; and she
9 taught for 40 years; and

10 WHEREAS, she was the devoted wife of the late Rev. Dr. Gabriel S. Hardeman, Sr., for 68
11 years and the beloved mother of the late Rev. Gabriel S. Hardeman, Jr.; she cherishes her
12 only grandson Michael Hardeman, and she is held in high regard by many; and

13 WHEREAS, Mrs. Hardeman is a proud and longtime member of Flipper Temple AME
14 Church in Atlanta, Georgia, and she served many churches at her husband's side: Bethel
15 AMEC in Athens, St. Luke AMEC in Cartersville, Turner Chapel AMEC in Marietta, St.
16 Paul AMEC in Macon, as well as others in Philadelphia and New Jersey; most notably, she
17 aided her husband in the founding of Hickman Temple AMEC in Philadelphia; and

18 WHEREAS, she is known for her fashionable attire, beautiful hats, and is affectionately
19 called "Mama Hardeman" by many; and

20 WHEREAS, on Friday, February 27, 2015, in Atlanta, Georgia, family, friends, clergy, and
21 others she has touched will gather together at the Family Life Center of St. Paul AME
22 Church to have "A Centennial Celebration...Fit For a Queen in honor of Mrs. Hardeman.

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
24 the members of this body congratulate Mrs. Daisy Marilyn Johnson Hardeman on the grand
25 occasion of her 100th birthday and extend their most sincere best wishes for her continued
26 health and happiness.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
28 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Mrs.
29 Daisy Marilyn Johnson Hardeman.