

Senate Resolution 543

By: Senators Orrock of the 36th, Kemp of the 38th, Esteves of the 35th, Halpern of the 39th, Harrell of the 40th and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending and congratulating Mother Willie Bell Beatles; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Mother Willie Bell Beatles was born on March 14, 1928, in Fayette County,
3 Georgia, and this year she enjoys the rare distinction of celebrating her 97th birthday; and
- 4 WHEREAS, the devotion, patience, and understanding she has demonstrated have provided
5 the foundation of success from which her family members have developed and flourished,
6 as evidenced by her 10 wonderful children, 20 outstanding grandchildren, 26 exceptional
7 great-grandchildren, and seven magnificent great-great-grandchildren; and
- 8 WHEREAS, she has lived in the Thomasville community for 68 years and has worshiped at
9 First Mount Selah Baptist Church for 71 years, where she serves faithfully on the Mother's
10 Board, advises fellow members, and remains active in every aspect of church life; and
- 11 WHEREAS, this distinguished gentlewoman has given inspiration to many through her high
12 ideals, morals, and deep concern for her fellow citizens; and

13 WHEREAS, Mother Willie Bell Beatles possesses the vast wisdom which only comes
14 through experience and the strength of character which is achieved through overcoming the
15 many challenges of life; and

16 WHEREAS, a kind and generous person, Mother Willie Bell Beatles brings joy and
17 happiness to her family and to the many friends and neighbors who have the great pleasure
18 of knowing her; and

19 WHEREAS, she has witnessed a dramatic change in the world over the course of her
20 lifetime, and we salute her contribution to its progress through her tireless efforts on behalf
21 of her community and extended family; and

22 WHEREAS, by the example Mother Willie Bell Beatles has made of her life, she makes this
23 world a better place in which to live, and it is only fitting and proper that she be appropriately
24 honored during this very special and memorable time.

25 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
26 commend Mother Willie Bell Beatles for her unselfish, dedicated, and loving service to the
27 members of her family and community; congratulate her on the remarkable occasion of her
28 97th birthday; and extend their most sincere best wishes for continued health and happiness.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
30 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Mother Willie Bell
31 Beatles.