

House Resolution 1923

By: Representative Scott of the 76th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and legacy of Sister Bessie Mae (Harrison) Manuel; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Sister Bessie Mae (Harrison) Manuel was born on December 21, 1930, in
3 Gadsden County, Florida, to the late Goldie Ervin Harrison and the late John Spencer
4 Harrison; and
- 5 WHEREAS, she received her education through the Gadsden County Public School System
6 and, at an early age, accepted Christ as her Lord and Savior, becoming a devoted and faithful
7 member of Hopewell A.M.E. Church, where she served with unwavering dedication; and
- 8 WHEREAS, in 1948, she was united in holy matrimony to the late George Manuel, Sr., and
9 together they built a loving and strong family foundation, raising four children with care,
10 discipline, and faith; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Sister Manuel was a woman of grace, strength, and compassion, whose life was
12 a reflection of her deep faith, her love for family, and her commitment to serving others; and
- 13 WHEREAS, she leaves to cherish her precious memories her loving children: three
14 daughters, Gloria, Mary Jane, and Edna; one son, George Manuel, Jr.; along with her beloved

15 grandchildren, great-grandchild, extended family, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and
16 dear friends; and

17 WHEREAS, her legacy is one of faith, resilience, love, and service-qualities that will
18 continue to inspire all who were blessed to know her; and

19 WHEREAS, Sister Bessie Mae Manuel's life stands as a testament to the power of faith,
20 family, and community, leaving an indelible mark on generations to come.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
22 the members of this body honor the life and legacy of Sister Bessie Mae (Harrison) Manuel,
23 celebrating her remarkable journey and the love she shared with all.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that her memory will forever remain in the hearts of those
25 who knew and loved her, and her legacy will continue to shine through her family and
26 community.

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 the
29 family of Sister Bessie Mae (Harrison) Manuel.