

BY REPRESENTATIVE JEFFERSON

CONDOLENCES: Expresses condolences on the death of Mary Eliza Alderson

## 1 A RESOLUTION

2 To express the condolences of the House of Representatives upon the death of Mary Eliza  
3 Alderson.

4           WHEREAS, Mary Eliza Wilson was born on May 12, 1920, in Lillie, Louisiana, the  
5   fourth child of fourteen born to David and Ella Wilson; she attended Fellowship School in  
6   Claiborne Parish and graduated from St. John Community High School in Homer, Louisiana;  
7   and

8           WHEREAS, after graduating, Mary served her country as a U.S. Army nurse during  
9   World War II; she was a member of the Women's Army Corps and the Eastern Star; and

10 WHEREAS, Mary returned to Lillie after her military service and married Harvey  
11 Alderson, and their union was blessed with eleven children; once her children reached  
12 adulthood, Mary began working as a seamstress at Junction City Garment Factory; she later  
13 found her calling as a social worker in Claiborne Parish where she helped countless families  
14 and touched many lives; and

15           WHEREAS, Ms. Alderson accepted Christ at an early age; she was an active member  
16   of Fellowship Baptist Church where she taught Sunday school, sang in the choir, and served  
17   as the church's clerk and secretary for many years; and

18           WHEREAS, after retirement, Ms. Alderson took up many different hobbies; she  
19   loved quilting with her sisters, Adele and Marie, and spent time fishing and making tea  
20   cakes, peanut brittle, and pear preserves; she also earned the distinction of being the oldest

1 person working for the Louisiana voting commission; she even continued to drive until she  
2 was over one hundred years old; and

3 WHEREAS, Ms. Alderson leaves to cherish her memory her children, Michael  
4 Alderson, Jackie Alderson, Dorothy Chark, Sallie Jones, Henry Alderson, and Elsie Rolfe;  
5 her sisters, Adele Wilson and Marie Tubbs; and a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren,  
6 great-great-grandchildren, great-great-great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, extended family  
7 members, and friends; and

8 WHEREAS, Mary Eliza Alderson lived a truly fulfilling life; she will be deeply  
9 missed but certainly never forgotten.

10 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the  
11 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby express heartfelt condolences on the death of Mary  
12 Eliza Alderson; does hereby recognize Ms. Alderson's incredible life as a witness to history;  
13 and does hereby extend sincere hopes that her family, friends, and loved ones find comfort  
14 during this difficult time.

15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the  
16 family of Mary Eliza Alderson.

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#### DIGEST

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