

By: Taylor of the Senate
and
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AS INTRODUCED

A Concurrent Resolution congratulating Mrs. Velma Taylor upon the occasion of her 80th birthday; commending her dedication; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, Velma Griffiths, the daughter of J.C. and Minnie Griffiths, was born on April 6, 1919, in Denton Texas; and

WHEREAS, Velma Griffiths married Owen B. Taylor with the Reverend Andrew Tune presiding on December 23, 1939, in the home of Bob Jennings in Sallisaw, Oklahoma; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Velma Taylor taught in the public schools for 35 years, teaching from the lower grades through high school; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Velma Taylor served as the Nowata County Superintendent of Schools from 1965-1968; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Velma Taylor has been teaching Sunday School for 45 years and is currently teaching at the East Side Baptist Church in Sallisaw, Oklahoma. She teaches the Faith Class, which is composed entirely of ladies; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Velma Taylor is very active in Democratic Party politics and is active in the political arena; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Velma Taylor is dedicated to homebound senior citizens. She visits homebound seniors every Monday, not only as part of her church activity, but as part of her personal dedication to the homebound; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Velma Taylor is also active in retired teachers' organizations; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Velma Taylor is very active in the American Association of Retired People (AARP) and regularly attends their meetings, conferences and conventions; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Velma Taylor is a world traveler, having visited England and Wales last year and is scheduled for a tour of continental Europe this summer. She has traveled extensively throughout the United States with her children giving them the opportunity to view this great country firsthand; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Velma Taylor possesses boundless energy and enthusiasm which is the envy of her four children, ten grandchildren and five great grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Taylor has four children, Barney Delano Taylor, Brenda Martin, Gwen Stewart, and Stratton Taylor; ten grandchildren, Delana Taylor, Shawn Taylor, Sere Meeks, Renee Parsons, Chris Edwards, Carlos Stewart, Samone Ligon, Raegan Wolff, Carson Taylor, and Abbey Taylor; and five great grandchildren, Jennifer Smith, Courtney Smith, Seth Ligon, Grant Ligon, and Brett Wolff.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 1ST SESSION OF THE 47TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:

THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature congratulates Mrs. Velma Taylor upon the occasion of her 80th birthday.

THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature commends her energetic dedication to God, family and country.

THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Mrs. Velma Taylor and her four children, Barney Delano Taylor, Brenda Martin, Gwen Stewart and Stratton Taylor.

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