

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 123

BY SENATOR BARROW

A RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate District Missionary Verline Brock on her 90th birthday and for her significant contributions to the ministry and community.

WHEREAS, District Missionary Verline Brock is a dutiful, committed, loving, and humble servant of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ; and

WHEREAS, she is a devoted member of Pleasant Valley Church of God in Christ (COGIC), serving under the leadership of Elder LeRoy Johnson and Lady Amber Johnson; and

WHEREAS, her ministry training began under the esteemed leadership of Superintendent Israel Jackson and Missionary Ophelia Jefferson Jackson, the founder of Pleasant Valley COGIC; and

WHEREAS, District Missionary Brock's ministry has its roots in her dedicated service to the Sunshine Band, where she inspired and guided young people at the local, district, and state levels, culminating in her long tenure as State Sunshine Band President under the leadership of Bishop W. K. Gordon; and

WHEREAS, she continued her service as chair-lady for the late District Missionary Alma Bolden and District Missionary Ophelia Jackson of District 1, under the leadership of Superintendent Dewitt Brock; and

WHEREAS, District Missionary Verline Brock now serves faithfully as District Missionary of District No. 1 alongside Superintendent Roger V. Mills, under the jurisdictional leadership of Bishop Howard E. Quillen Jr. and Supervisor, Gwendolyn Bell Badon; and

WHEREAS, she has been a steadfast example of faith and dedication, continually inspired and encouraged to uphold the name of the Lord and stay steadfast in her commitment to Him; and

WHEREAS, she was married to the late Deacon, Emmitt W. Brock, with whom she was blessed with nine children: James, Janette, Robert, Evie, Shirley, Ella Mae, Gregory, Donche, and Valencia, along with a multitude of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren, all of whom are part of her first ministry; and

WHEREAS, she was a business owner and operator of the Pleasant Valley Daycare Center, demonstrating her commitment to the community and her values of prayer, continuous Bible study, and regular church attendance; and

WHEREAS, her mission has always been to sow seeds into people's lives and encourage them to choose Jesus, with her testimony being that the Word of God not only saved her but continues to keep her; and

WHEREAS, she was born in Tylertown, Mississippi, on May 21, 1934, the oldest girl of eleven children to the late Odra and Lealer Lenior, and has been a beacon of holiness and faith from an early age, leading many family members to salvation; and

WHEREAS, she has witnessed and been a part of many miracles and works of God, recognizing that she has been sustained by His grace and mercy, giving all glory, honor, and praise to God; and

WHEREAS, she lives her life as a testament to God's faithfulness and desires to bless others as she has been blessed.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby commend and congratulate District Missionary, Verline Brock, on her 90th birthday and for her significant contributions to the ministry and community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to District Missionary Verline Brock.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE