

2018 First Extraordinary Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 4

BY SENATOR WARD

COMMENDATIONS. Commends Twylah S. Chaney on the occasion of her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To commend and congratulate Twylah Chaney on the occasion of her ninetieth birthday,  
3 March 19, 2018, and to honor her lifetime of outstanding accomplishments.

4 WHEREAS, it is altogether fitting and proper that the Senate of the Legislature of  
5 Louisiana honor Twylah Chaney on the occasion of this very special milestone in life; and

6 WHEREAS, Twylah Elaine Smith was born March 19, 1928, to parents, Dewey and  
7 Mary Cooper Smith, in Copiah County, Mississippi; and

8 WHEREAS, she moved to Clinton, Louisiana, as a young woman, and in 1948, she  
9 married Russell Gordon Chaney, her sweetheart and husband of fifty-three years until his  
10 passing in 2001; and

11 WHEREAS, together the Chaney's established roots and built a home, where Twylah  
12 still resides today, and prospered with a growing family blessed with five children, Karen  
13 C. Garber, Brad Chaney (now deceased), Cindy C. Wiley, Clifton L. Chaney, and Myra C.  
14 Guice; six grandchildren and one great-grandchild; and

15 WHEREAS, Twylah is a soft-spoken, gentle woman who has spent her entire life in  
16 selfless service to others; not only her children, husband, and extended family, but also her  
17 neighbors and her community; wherever the need, Twylah volunteered without being asked;  
18 and

1           WHEREAS, she is affectionately known as "Aunt Tye" to her many nieces and  
2 nephews and "TeeTye" to her grandchildren, as well as many neighbors in the Clinton  
3 community; and

4           WHEREAS, she possesses a happy heart and finds joy in most any activity; and

5           WHEREAS, Twylah Chaney balances home life with her service to God; she puts  
6 her faith in the Lord and remains steadfast in her belief that Jesus Christ is in her heart, and  
7 His grace will always be her protection and her solace; and

8           WHEREAS, a lifelong Baptist, Mrs. Chaney has served the church in many  
9 capacities, including as a Sunday School teacher, a leader for Girls Auxiliary and ActTeen  
10 groups, and as an active member in Baptist Women in Ministry; and

11           WHEREAS, Twylah Chaney has filled her life with service to others, first as a  
12 mother, homemaker, and caregiver, then later as activity director for the East Feliciana  
13 Parish Council on Aging, and as a volunteer at Grace Nursing Home; and

14           WHEREAS, while the children were in school, Twylah was a concerned parent and  
15 room mother vested in her children's academic accomplishments as well as their  
16 participation in sports, scouting, and clubs; and

17           WHEREAS, Twylah is a self-made woman, strong of spirit and self-reliant; she has  
18 built her life on the foundation of Christian faith, and has strived to lead by example with  
19 heartfelt compassion, kindness, and love for others; and

20           WHEREAS, Twylah Chaney has lived an exemplary life that all should emulate; she  
21 always has a positive outlook, always sees the very best in everyone, and with great  
22 admiration, she is loved by all who know her.

23           THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana  
24 does hereby commend and congratulate Twylah S. Chaney on the occasion of her ninetieth  
25 birthday, March 19, 2018, and is hereby recognized for the extraordinary life she has lived  
26 thus far and for the many contributions she has made to her family and community and is  
27 hereby extended best wishes for her future happiness in the years to come.

28           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to  
29 Twylah S. Chaney.

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Suzi Montague.

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