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5 Elliott, Figures, Givhan, Gudger, Hatcher, Hovey, Jones,  
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SJR\_\_\_ CELEBRATING THE CENTENARY OF MARY FRANCES HOLLAND.

WHEREAS, with special pleasure, we offer joyful felicitations to Mary Frances Holland, who is celebrating her milestone 100th birthday; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Holland was born Mary Frances Talton on December 27, 1925, in Montgomery, Alabama, and currently resides in Prattville; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Holland, who lived through the Great Depression and World War II, has led an inspirational life; her father died when she was very young, and her mother struggled financially to care for Mary Frances and her five siblings; and

WHEREAS, her family made the difficult decision to place her in the Methodist Children's Home in Selma, now known as Embrace Alabama Kids; she credits the support she received there, which she recalls as a stable and happy environment, with providing valuable training and encouragement that helped shape her adult life and career; and

WHEREAS, drawing on the foundation she gained, she took college-level accounting courses and worked for Blount Brothers Construction before becoming an auditor for the Alabama State Auditor's Office, where she served faithfully until her retirement; and



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29           WHEREAS, Mary Frances Holland is the epitome of  
30 perseverance; as a single mother who worked full time, her  
31 life exemplifies resilience, dedication, and a positive  
32 outlook in the face of hardship; and

33           WHEREAS, on December 27, 2025, her many relatives,  
34 including children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren,  
35 nieces, nephews, and cousins, gathered to celebrate her  
36 Centennial Birthday; and

37           WHEREAS, a 100th birthday is a significant milestone,  
38 representing ten decades of wisdom earned and memories  
39 gained, and is a cause for great rejoicing; it is a  
40 tremendous privilege to recognize a remarkable woman such as  
41 Mary Frances Holland on her special day; now therefore,

42           BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
43 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That Mary Frances Holland is  
44 hereby highly honored and commended, and this resolution is  
45 offered to her in highest tribute, along with sincere best  
46 wishes for continued health, happiness, and blessings.