

By: Representative Steele

## HOUSE RESOLUTION

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### Subtitle

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ROCK.

WHEREAS, Charlotte Thomas has worked for the City of North Little Rock since February 25, 1974; and

WHEREAS, during Charlotte Thomas's fifty-one (51) years with the City of North Little Rock, she has worked for Mayors Casey Laman, Bob Rosamond, Eddie Powell, Reed Thompson, Patrick Henry Hays, Joe Smith, and Terry Hartwick during both his prior and his current tenure as Mayor of North Little Rock; and

WHEREAS, Charlotte Thomas was the first African American to be employed in the office of the Mayor of the City of North Little Rock as part of the executive staff, where she has served during her entire career with the city and represents the mayor by speaking for the mayor during public events when the mayor is not available; and

WHEREAS, Charlotte Thomas earned a Bachelor of Arts from Philander



Smith College and is professionally affiliated with the Scipio A. Jones Alumni Choir, the North Little Rock Census Committee, the Pulaski County School District Study Committee, the North Little Rock City Mission, Anointed Praise Chorale, and Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Charlotte Thomas's knowledge of processes and gifts in problem-solving help her execute effective solutions with confidence for the residents of North Little Rock; and

WHEREAS, Charlotte Thomas said of her workplace, "The innovation, integrity, and people combined all make the City of North Little Rock a great place to work"; and

WHEREAS, Charlotte Thomas said of the residents of North Little Rock, "I love helping our citizens. Some citizens do not have any knowledge as to what directions to follow when trying to resolve a problem, so instead of contacting the proper department, they will contact the mayor's office seeking the help of our team"; and

WHEREAS, Charlotte Thomas was recognized in 1999 as a Woman of Distinction for Longevity and Faithful Service by the North Little Rock Times during Women's History Month; and

WHEREAS, Charlotte Thomas was recognized in 2006 by Stand! News as a Leader Within the Community; and

WHEREAS, Charlotte Thomas was recognized in 2017 by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People for Outstanding Services in North Little Rock; and

WHEREAS, Charlotte Thomas has a magnetic personality and a heart and passion to help others; and

WHEREAS, Charlotte Thomas is the widow of the late Curtis L. Thomas and the very proud mother of Anita Thomas Young, Shelby Thomas, and Damon Thomas, Sr., and is also a very proud grandmother and great-grandmother,

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

THAT the House of Representatives recognize Charlotte Thomas on the occasion of her upcoming retirement for her fifty-one (51) years of exceptional service to the City of North Little Rock.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon adoption, a copy of this resolution be presented to Charlotte Thomas by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.