

110TH CONGRESS
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Honoring Margaret Truman Daniel and her lifetime of accomplishments.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 12, 2008

Mr. CLEAVER (for himself and Mr. SKELTON) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Honoring Margaret Truman Daniel and her lifetime of accomplishments.

Whereas Margaret Truman Daniel was born to Bess and Harry S. Truman on February 17, 1924, in Independence, Missouri;

Whereas Margaret, a loving daughter, wife, mother, and friend, passed away on January 29, 2008, after leading an interesting and eventful life rooted in the strong will and independent spirit of her mother and father;

Whereas Margaret grew up in Missouri and moved to Washington when her father became a United States Senator for Missouri, during which time she attended The George Washington University;

Whereas Margaret became First Daughter when Vice President Harry S. Truman, the former Missouri Senator, was sworn into office after the passing of President Franklin D. Roosevelt;

Whereas, on April 21, 1956, Margaret married newspaperman Clifton Daniel in Independence, Missouri, at Trinity Episcopal Church, the same church in which her parents were married;

Whereas after graduating from The George Washington University in 1946 with a degree in history, Margaret pursued a singing career, which featured performances at Constitution Hall and Carnegie Hall;

Whereas, in 1953, after the Truman presidency, Margaret moved to New York City to work with the National Broadcasting Company, working on such shows as Edward R. Murrow's "Person to Person" and cohosting a talk show program with Mike Wallace;

Whereas, in 1955 and 1956, she acted as hostess on a radio program called "Weekday", and in 1965 cohosted a half-hour special events program broadcast live from Philadelphia;

Whereas, in 1966, Margaret conducted a radio program called "Authors in the News", a 5-minute interview with prominent writers which was broadcast every weekday on more than 100 radio stations;

Whereas, as a novelist, Margaret wrote 23 books, including best-selling mysteries and biographies;

Whereas Margaret exhibited a deep commitment to public service, serving as secretary to the Board of Trustees of the Truman Scholarship Foundation, as a member of the Board of Directors of the Truman Library Institute, as

a member of the Executive Committee on the Truman Centennial Committee, and as a constant advocate for Presidential libraries;

Whereas, in 1984, Margaret received the Harry S. Truman Public Service Award;

Whereas for Missourians and countless others, Margaret will be forever respected and considered a “real” person, who grew up in Independence, Missouri;

Whereas Margaret Truman Daniel was an intelligent, independent, and gracious woman who made our Nation proud as she flourished in every aspect of her life; and

Whereas Margaret in every sense carried on the Truman family legacy and is survived by 3 sons, Clifton Daniel, Harrison Daniel, and Thomas Daniel, as well as 5 grandchildren, and is pre-deceased by her husband, Clifton Daniel, and a fourth son, William Daniel: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
- 2 *concurring), That Congress honors Margaret Truman*
- 3 *Daniel and her lifetime of accomplishments.*

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