# State of Vermont
# House of Representatives

**Montpelier, Vermont**

## Concurrent House Resolution

**H.C.R. 160**

Offered by Representatives Emmons of Springfield and Morris of Springfield

House concurrent resolution congratulating Shirley Young Cooper on her centennial birthday

*Whereas*, Shirley Cooper has been a resident of Springfield, Vermont since her birth on November 4, 1925, and her parents, Sidney and Ethel Young, established Young's Furniture and Appliances at shopping plazas in Springfield and Ludlow, Vermont and in Peterborough, New Hampshire, and

*Whereas*, growing up, Shirley Young was one of seven siblings who resided in a busy household; four of her five brothers were World War II veterans, and she contributed on the home front as an employee at Jones and Lamson, one of the many Springfield factories engaged in military-related manufacturing, and as a University of Vermont Extension service home economics volunteer, and

*Whereas*, World War II was personally significant in her life, as that is when she met her future husband, Maurice (Bill) Cooper, then serving in the U.S. Navy; they are the parents of two children, her daughter Deanna surviving, and subsequent generations include three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren, and

*Whereas*, in later years, she served her community as a poll worker on Election Day and as a volunteer for Red Cross activities, becoming locally famous for providing her special sandwiches, and

*Whereas*, Shirley Cooper was an active parishioner at her local church, sang in the choir and served as president of the congregation's women's group, and

*Whereas*, she was an avid skier until 70 years of age and continued her decades-long passion of knitting mittens to donate to local children until just recently, and

*Whereas*, on November 4, 2025, Shirley Cooper, who believes in the importance of remaining active, became the second Young family sibling to celebrate the joyous occasion of a 100th birthday, an event the Town of Springfield officially commemorated, *now therefore be it*

***Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:***

That the General Assembly congratulates Shirley Young Cooper on her centennial birthday, *and be it further*

***Resolved:*** That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Shirley Young Cooper, to her daughter, and to each of her grandchildren.