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A senate RESOLUTION

TO EXPRESS PROFOUND SORROW UPON THE PASSING OF barbara ann holmes howard AND TO EXTEND THE DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO HER FAMILY AND MANY FRIENDS.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina Senate were deeply saddened to learn of the death of Mrs. Barbara Ann Holmes Howard on March 7, 2024; and

Whereas, a native of Bronx, New York, Barbara was born on June 19, 1943 to parents John E. and Lucille S. Holmes. She was the oldest of eleven children and was educated in the Williamsburg County School system; and

Whereas, upon graduation from Tomlinson High School, Barbara entered Claflin College and graduated with a bachelor’s degree in elementary education. She received a Master of Education degree from South Carolina State College along with additional graduate studies in reading and learning disabilities. She also completed coursework at Clemson University and the University of South Carolina. Her certifications included elementary education and special education; and

Whereas, while employed for over fifty years by Orangeburg County Schools as a classroom teacher, reading support specialist, adult education teacher and coordinator, teacher on special assignment, and the Save the Children program coordinator and sponsorship liaison for Dover Elementary School, she touched the lives of thousands of children and adults; and

Whereas, she was a member of the South Carolina Education Association/National Education Association, where she was her school’s representative. She established the Young Ladies of Excellence Club and led and served on numerous school committees. She was a member of the Episcopal Church Women’s Organization Church Women United, an Altar Guild chairperson, a member of the Mother’s Board of Victory Tabernacle Deliverance Temple, and assistant superintendent of the Episcopal Church School. She was also a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc; and

Whereas, over the years, Barbara received a number of honors and awards, including being named Teacher of the Year for Bowman County School District #2; and

Whereas, a devout Christian, she was a member of Mt. Zion United Methodist Church of Kingstree since childhood and, after marrying, became a member of St. Paul’s Episcopal Church alongside her husband until his death in 2012. She then joined her children at Victory Tabernacle Deliverance Temple of the Apostolic Faith Church; and

Whereas, Barbara was preceded in death by her husband of forty‑nine years, the late Reverend James W. Howard; her parents; her grandparents, James Scott and Minnie Savage Scott; and her brothers, Bundles, John, Jr., and Johnny; and

Whereas, Barbara leaves to cherish her memory two sons, James W. II of Orangeburg and Jon Wesley I (Tracy) Howard of Latta; two daughters, Dr. Beth A. Howard‑Brown (Bennie) and Brooke A. Howard of Orangeburg; five sisters, Burnie (Julius) Barnes of St. Stephens, Jean (James) Bullock of Indian Trail, North Carolina, Elisha (Karl) McCottry of Irmo, Lois (Hillmon) Ancrum of Columbus, Georgia, and Karen Lee of Orangeburg; brothers Phillip (Ethel) Holmes of Kingstree and Stephen (Carol) Holmes of Richmond, Virginia; grandchildren Matthew C. Howard (Jasmine) of Ontario, Canada, Candace C. Howard of Gastonia, North Carolina, Jon W. Howard II of Florence, Matthew Howard of Gaffney, Deja B. Nowlin of Gastonia, North Carolina, and Joshua Howard of Latta; uncles David Scott, Harold Scott, and Wilfred (Hattie) Scott, all of New York, New York, Charles Scott of Silver Springs, Ohio, and John L. Scott of Kingstree; aunt Barbara Jean Fulmore of Kingstree; sisters‑in‑law Martha J. Snelling of Decatur, Georgia and Peggye H. Wilson of Hattiesburg, Mississippi; best friend Edith Simms of Orangeburg; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends. She will be greatly missed. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, express profound sorrow upon the passing of Barbara Ann Holmes Howard and extend the deepest sympathy to her family and many friends.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Barbara Howard.

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