**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE ETTA MAE WASHINGTON WILLIAMS OF FAIRFIELD COUNTY ON THE OCCASION OF HER ONE HUNDREDTH BIRTHDAY, AND TO WISH HER A JOYOUS BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION AND CONTINUED HEALTH AND HAPPINESS.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina Senate are delighted to learn that Etta Mae Washington Williams of Fairfield County will celebrate her one hundredth birthday on February 2, 2013; and

Whereas, the daughter of Elliott and Ida Washington and the oldest of eight siblings, Etta Mae Washington Williams was born on February 2, 1913, in the early part of the twentieth century, and she has been witness to nearly all the remarkable social changes, technological advancements, and international developments that have spanned the globe from that time into the second decade of the twenty‑first century; and

Whereas, this Winnsboro native graduated from high school and at a young age married her beloved husband, Fortune Williams. In time, God blessed them with one daughter, Ruth B. Davis; a grandson, Randolph Davis; three great‑grandsons, and five great‑great‑grandchildren; and

Whereas, formerly a member of New Hope AME Church, she is presently a member of the Progressive Church of Our Lord Jesus Christ and loves her God, family, and friends; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina Senate are pleased to honor this daughter of South Carolina at the celebration of her centennial birthday and join with her family and friends in congratulating her on reaching this extraordinary milestone. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, congratulate Etta Mae Washington Williams of Fairfield County on the occasion of her one hundredth birthday, and wish her a joyous birthday celebration and continued health and happiness.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to Etta Mae Washington Williams.

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