**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO HONOR AND RECOGNIZE OLD PILGRIM MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH IN SIMPSONVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA UPON ITS ONE HUNDRED FORTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY AND TO WISH MANY MORE YEARS OF HAPPINESS AND SUCCESS FOR THIS OUTSTANDING CONGREGATION.

Whereas, the State of South Carolina recently recognized the historical significance of the Old Pilgrim Missionary Baptist Church and has approved an historical marker, which will be erected to recognize the church as one of the oldest churches in Simpsonville and also to recognize the historical Rosenwald School which was located on the site; and

Whereas, the congregation hopes to follow the tradition of its early founders by continuing in their godly heritage of worshiping and serving for many years to come. A public ceremony will be held to unveil the marker, and a special worship service will celebrate the church’s one hundred forty-fifth anniversary; and

Whereas, Old Pilgrim Missionary Baptist Church has been a beacon of light and has a prominent presence in the community, with history dating back to 1868; and

Whereas, the members of the Senate are greatly honored to have the opportunity to recognize the outstanding and loyal congregation of Old Pilgrim Missionary Baptist Church on this auspicious occasion. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the South Carolina Senate honors and recognizes Old Pilgrim Missionary Baptist Church upon its one hundred forty-fifth anniversary and wishes many more years of happiness and success for this outstanding congregation.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Old Pilgrim Missionary Baptist Church.

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