**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO OFFER WARMEST AND HEARTFELT CONGRATULATIONS TO MR. AND MRS. LARRY DOUGLAS REEVES OF ANDERSON ON THEIR FIFTIETH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY AND TO EXTEND TO THEM AND THEIR FAMILY EVERY GOOD WISH FOR SUCCESS, HEALTH, AND CONTINUED HAPPINESS IN THE YEARS TO COME.

Whereas, Larry Douglas Reeves met fifteen‑year‑old Shirley Jean Pettus in 1961 when she came to youth meetings with her big brother Robert in Greenville, South Carolina; and

Whereas, after graduating from Clemson University with a degree in chemical engineering and beginning a job at Owens Corning Fiberglass, Larry won the heart of the girl of his dreams; and

Whereas, Larry Reeves and Shirley Pettus were married on April 16, 1966 at Southside Baptist Church in Greenville, South Carolina; and

Whereas, over the course of their marriage, Larry and Shirley raised a beautiful and loving family of four children, John Douglas Reeves, Suzanne Elizabeth Reeves Landis, Matthew Davis Reeves, and Stephanie Ann Reeves Canter; and

Whereas, as their children became adults, the Reeves’ acquired two daughters‑in‑law and two sons‑in‑law whom they love dearly, Cheryl Stewart Reeves and Jenny Merritt Reeves and Pete Landis and Giles Canter; and

Whereas, Larry and Shirley are the proud and loving grandparents of fifteen grandchildren, Isaiah Matthew Reeves, Moriah Elizabeth Reeves, Israel David Reeves, Elijah James Reeves, Jeremiah Titus Reeves, Malachi Luke Reeves, Whitney Lucia Landis, John Thornton Landis, Molly Jean Landis, Lauren Elizabeth Landis, Stephanie Ruth Landis, Tomy John Reeves, Champ Merritt Reeves, Kara Lee Denman, and Kinsley Kate Canter; and

Whereas, Larry and Shirley have faithfully served the Lord together for fifty years and give glory to the Lord Jesus Christ for their marriage. Their ministry can be summarized as “gracious hospitality”. With Shirley’s amazing cooking and Larry’s sense of humor, many lives have been touched and hearts have been encouraged; and

Whereas, it is the desire of the members of the South Carolina Senate to express both their warmest congratulations and heartfelt admiration to the happy couple on the occasion of the celebration of their fiftieth wedding anniversary. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the Senate, by this resolution, offer warmest and heartfelt congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Larry Douglas Reeves of Anderson on the occasion of their fiftieth wedding anniversary, and extend to them and their family every good wish for success, health, and continued happiness in the years to come.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Mr. and Mrs. Larry Douglas Reeves.

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