**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO EXPRESS THE PROFOUND SORROW OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES UPON THE DEATH OF THEOTIS “TED” HUMPHREY OF CAT ISLAND AND TO EXTEND THE DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO HIS FAMILY AND MANY FRIENDS.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives were deeply saddened to learn of the death of Theotis “Ted” Humphrey of Cat Island on January 9, 2016; and

Whereas, born to the late William and Lavie Humphrey in Chiefland, Florida, Theotis “Ted” Humphrey entered this world on September 20, 1932. He was the eldest of four children, and one sister, Mavis Hawkins, and his brother Jerry Humphrey both preceded him in death; and

Whereas, he attended school in Florida, after which he moved to Boston, Massachusetts, to continue his education. During this time, he met and married the late Janet White of Boston. To this union were born three children, Theotis, Jr., Lorraine, and Maria; and

Whereas, Ted attended Salem College and graduated with a degree in accounting. Following his graduation, he began a successful career in accounting with several firms in Boston, retiring after many years from IBM in New York. In New Rochelle, New York, he met and married Claudette McKethan, and upon retirement, they relocated to Beaufort, where both were very active in community activities; and

Whereas, in Beaufort, Ted gave generously of his time in support of several organizations. He was a member of the Northern Beaufort Democratic Club (treasurer), Real Deal Investment Club, and Beaufort County Black Chamber of Commerce Advisory Board. He was an advocate of the arts and a longtime member of the Beaufort Arts Council and Friends of Penn Center, and he tutored children in the Beaufort Reading Program. His favorite pastimes were fishing with friends and traveling the world; and

Whereas, he leaves to cherish his memories his devoted wife, Claudette; a blended family of adult children, Theotis Humphrey, Jr., and Lorraine Humphrey, Maria Humphrey, Camille Wimbley, Anthony Clay, and Conrad McKethan; two grandsons, Anthony Clay, Jr., and Alexander Jones; a loving sister, Marie Pined; and a host of other relatives and friends. He will be missed. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, express their profound sorrow upon the death of Theotis “Ted” Humphrey of Cat Island and extend the deepest sympathy to his family and many friends.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to Mrs. Claudette Humphrey for the family.

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