**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE LINCOLN L. PRIVETTE, SR. ON THE OCCASION OF HIS SEVENTY-FIFTH BIRTHDAY AND TO WISH HIM A JOYOUS BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION AND MUCH HAPPINESS IN THE DAYS AHEAD.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina Senate are delighted to learn that Lincoln Privette, Sr. celebrated his seventy-fifth birthday on February 22, 2017; and

Whereas, Lincoln Privette, Sr. was born on February 22, 1942. In his younger years prior to college, he helped his father run a successful dairy farm in Darlington, South Carolina. He graduated from St. John’s High School in Darlington and went on to receive a Bachelor of Science from Lander University. He is married to Betty M. Privette; and

Whereas, Lincoln taught school for a few years prior to beginning his career in the home building industry; and

Whereas, throughout his home building career, Lincoln built over two thousand homes; and

Whereas, Lincoln was very active in the National Association of Home Builders and served as president of the Home Builders Association of the Greater Pee Dee and the Home Builders Association of South Carolina. He was inducted into the South Carolina Home Builders Hall of Fame in 2002. Lincoln is currently the alternate delegate for the National Association of Home Builders Build‑PAC Board of Directors and a National Senior Life Director; and

Whereas, constantly seeking to improve his local community through renovations, Lincoln, along with his wife Betty, has rehabilitated a number of investment properties. He also donated land in Darlington for the construction of two Habitat for Humanity homes and built one of the homes alongside the Home Builders Association; and

Whereas, Lincoln has served on the Board of Directors for the Free Medical Clinic of Darlington County since its inception approximately twelve years ago. In the past couple of years, he has served as chairman of the board; and

Whereas, an active member of Darlington Presbyterian Church, Lincoln serves as a deacon as well as an elder. He has participated in and led mission trips to Mexico for a number of years, constructing homes with access to running water, gas for cooking, and electricity. These homes much improved the lives of the people in the communities being served and showed them the love of Jesus Christ firsthand. Lincoln also serves on the Missions Committee at Darlington Presbyterian Church and has chaired this committee more than once; and

Whereas, Lincoln is very generous, constantly giving anonymous donations of food, clothing, and money. He and Betty never let a Christmas pass without making food boxes or baskets for those in need. He is also a longstanding member of the Lions Club; and

Whereas, the Senate is proud to honor this son of South Carolina at the celebration of his seventy-fifth birthday, and the members join with his family and friends in congratulating him on reaching this important life milestone. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, congratulate Lincoln L. Privette, Sr. on the occasion of his seventy-fifth birthday and wish him a joyous birthday celebration and much happiness in the days ahead.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Lincoln L. Privette, Sr.

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