**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE MR. GEORGE F. CAHILL ON THE OCCASION OF HIS EIGHTY‑FOURTH BIRTHDAY, AND WISH HIM A JOYOUS BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION AND MUCH HEALTH AND HAPPINESS IN THE DAYS TO COME.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives are delighted to learn that Mr. George F. Cahill will celebrate his eighty‑fourth birthday on November 5, 2009; and

Whereas, born on November 5, 1925, in Indianapolis, Indiana, and raised in Kansas City, Missouri, he is the son of the late Dr. and Mrs. Edward Cahill; and

Whereas, at the tender age of seventeen, George volunteered as a member of the United States Army Air Corps. George deemed it necessary to join the Army Air Corps in order to save his older twin brothers, Edward A. Cahill, Jr. and James T. Cahill, who were already serving in the United States Army when he enlisted. He served our country with honor and distinction during World War II from December 1943 to November 1945; and

Whereas, during World War II, he flew twenty‑eight missions from England to Germany as a bombardier/togglier with the 569th Squadron of the 390th Bomb Group and earned an Air Medal with clusters; and

Whereas, after earning a degree from Purdue University in 1949, where he served as President of the University’s chapter of Alpha Phi Omega service fraternity, Mr. Cahill began a twenty‑seven year career in professional service with the Boy Scouts of American in Milwaukee, Cincinnati, Brooklyn, Greater New York City, and as Scout Executive for the Greater Pittsburg Council from 1961 to 1976; and

Whereas, Mr. Cahill has distinguished himself in many ways as a humanitarian which includes founding and serving as President and the Executive Director of The Flag Foundation which is the premier source of historical information about the American flag and the “Pride in America” Company; and

Whereas, he and his wife Muriel June, married for more than fifty‑seven years, are the proud parents of three children and have four grandchildren; and

Whereas, the members of the House of Representatives are proud to honor this American hero at the celebration of his eighty‑fourth birthday and join his family and friends in congratulating him on reaching this extraordinary milestone. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by his resolution, congratulate Mr. George F. Cahill on the occasion of his eighty‑fourth birthday, and wish him a joyous birthday celebration and much health and happiness in the days to come.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Mr. George F. Cahill.

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