**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO EXPRESS THE PROFOUND SORROW OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES UPON THE PASSING OF GUY RAYMOND DYKE OF SUMTER COUNTY, 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 Guy Raymond Dyke of Sumter County on February 22, 2010, at the venerable age of eighty‑six; and

Whereas, Mr. Dyke, a retired military airman, teacher, photographer, and private pilot and a devoted husband and family man, was born in Knoxville, Tennessee, to Kenneth Paul, Sr., and Mary Emmaline Fields Dyke; and

Whereas, Mr. Dyke retired as a master sergeant from the United States Air Force after twenty‑eight years of service. He also served in the United States Army Air Corps and was a veteran of World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War. Among his many military honors are the Distinguished Service Award, Asiatic Pacific Theater Victory Medal, American Theater Victory Medal, American Theater of Operation Medal, World War II Victory Medal, and Purple Heart; and

Whereas, he also taught photography at Sumter Area Technical College, served as a private pilot, and photographed five United States presidents; and

Whereas, believing a man should be actively involved in his community, Mr. Dyke was a member of Dalzell United Methodist Church for forty years and the Sumter School District 2 Board of Trustees for twelve years. In addition, he was a lifetime member of the Dalzell Fire Department and held membership in the American Legion, Disabled American Veterans, South Carolina Farm Bureau, National Press Photographers Association, and Dalzell Grange; and

Whereas, Guy R. Dyke leaves to cherish his memory his wife of sixty years, Bonnie Mae Saffles Dyke; daughters Linda Meritt and Cheryl Toothe; son Seth Dyke; six grandchildren; one great‑grandson; and a host of other family members and friends. He will be greatly 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 passing of Guy Raymond Dyke of Sumter County, and extend the deepest sympathy to his family and many friends.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Mrs. Bonnie Mae Saffles Dyke for the family.

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