**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE ELIZABETH FRIERSON DICKERT OF SPARTANBURG COUNTY ON THE OCCASION OF HER ONE HUNDREDTH BIRTHDAY AND TO WISH HER A JOYOUS BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION AND MANY YEARS OF CONTINUED HEALTH AND HAPPINESS.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina Senate are delighted to learn that Elizabeth Frierson Dickert of Spartanburg County will celebrate her one hundredth birthday surrounded by family and friends who plan to gather from across the State at Eden Terrace in Spartanburg on June 27, 2012; and

Whereas, born in Charleston on June 27, 1912, in the early part of the twentieth century, she has witnessed nearly all the remarkable social changes, technological advancements, and international developments that have spanned the globe from that time into the second decade of the twenty‑first century; and

Whereas, she is the daughter of the late J. Terroll “Ted” Frierson, a farmer on what is now called the Frierson Family Farm that borders the picturesque Black River, and the late Elise Judson Lesesne Frierson, an early graduate of Limestone College; and

Whereas, reared amid the beauty of live oak trees in Williamsburg County, she earned a nursing degree from the Medical University of South Carolina in 1938, finishing first in her class, and completed advanced training in nursing from Peabody College, now Vanderbilt University, in Nashville, Tennessee; and

Whereas, this adventurous woman met the man who would later become her beloved husband, Julias Melvin Dickert, Sr., while they were taking flying lessons, and together they reared two fine children, Julias Dickert of Greenwood and Beth Beach of Spartanburg, who blessed them with three adoring grandchildren: Betsy Beach, Leslie Dickert, and Jay Dickert; and

Whereas, she served as one of the first public‑health nurses in the State of South Carolina, and then she worked alongside her husband in the family business, Dickert Moving and Storage in Greenwood, until she retired as comptroller of the business at the age of eighty‑nine; and

Whereas, an active member of First Presbyterian Church in Greenwood, she was a charter member of the Violet Garden Club and of the Phelea Study Club and remained keenly involved in civic affairs until she moved to Spartanburg five years ago; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina Senate are pleased to honor this daughter of South Carolina at the celebration of her centennial birthday and join with her family and friends in congratulating her on reaching this extraordinary milestone. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, congratulate Elizabeth Frierson Dickert of Spartanburg County on the occasion of her one hundredth birthday and wish her a joyous birthday celebration and many years of continued health and happiness.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to Elizabeth Frierson Dickert.

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