**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR MAMIE B. JONES, UPON THE OCCASION OF HER RETIREMENT, FOR HER YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE AS AN EDUCATOR, AND TO WISH HER CONTINUED SUCCESS AND HAPPINESS IN THE YEARS AHEAD.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives are pleased to learn that Mamie B. Jones will begin a much‑deserved retirement at a celebration to be held in her honor at Morris Chapel Family Life Center in Greenwood on May 21, 2011; and

Whereas, the daughter of the late Catherine and Norris Brooks, Mamie Jones graduated from Ridge Hill High School and earned a bachelor of science in elementary education from Claflin University; and

Whereas, she took graduate studies in guidance and counseling at Clemson University and began her career as an educator teaching third grade at East End Elementary School in Greenwood School District 50 in August 1966; and

Whereas, during her long career, she taught second grade at both Mathews Elementary School and Leslie Elementary School and fifth and sixth grades at Brewer Intermediate School, and she served as a guidance counselor at Central Alternative School; and

Whereas, for the last twelve years, Mamie Jones has been assigned to Greenwood High School as the intervention specialist and truant officer to focus on the specific needs, issues, and concerns of students and their families; and

Whereas, recognition for her service to education includes an Award for Outstanding and Dedicated Service to the Youth of Greenwood, a Certificate of Merit for Leadership Instruction, an Award for Youth Leadership Instruction at GLEAMNS, a Certificate of Recognition for Project Free Enterprise, and a Certificate of Recognition for outstanding contributions to the Summer Youth Employment and Training Program; and

Whereas, she has served her community in many ways, including as a leader in the Girl Scouts, a youth and adult tutor in reading, a member of the board of directors of Habitat for Humanity, and a member of the board of visitors of Piedmont Technical College; and

Whereas, together with her beloved husband, John F. Jones, Sr., she has reared four fine children, three daughters and one son, who have blessed them with four adoring grandchildren; and

Whereas, a devoted member of Morris Chapel, she serves as a member of the Deaconess Ministry and as the chairman of the trustee board; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives are grateful for the years of service that Mamie B. Jones has given to the students of Greenwood County, and wish her much prosperity in her well‑earned retirement. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, recognize and honor Mamie B. Jones, upon the occasion of her retirement, for her years of dedicated service as an educator, and wish her continued success and happiness in the years ahead.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Mamie B. Jones.

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