**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE ANDRENA JONES TAYLOR OF RICHLAND COUNTY ON THE OCCASION OF HER EIGHTY‑FIFTH BIRTHDAY, AND TO WISH HER A JOYOUS BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION AND MANY YEARS OF CONTINUED HEALTH AND HAPPINESS.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives are pleased to learn that Andrena Jones Taylor will celebrate her eighty‑fifth birthday at a party to be held in her honor at the Joe E. Mann Center at Fort Jackson on March 17, 2012; and

Whereas, born in a rural area of Lexington County known as Kinsler on March 4, 1929, she was the youngest of eight children of Urgin and Clarissa Jones; and

Whereas, she began her early educational career in a one‑room schoolhouse and transferred to Cayce Grammar School for grades three through six, after which her parents enrolled her in Harbison A & I Institute in Irmo; and

Whereas, after she graduated from Mather Academy in Camden, she earned a bachelor’s in elementary education from Benedict College and a master’s in the same from South Carolina State University; and

Whereas, for thirty‑two years, Ms. Taylor faithfully taught in the Richland District One Public School System, retiring in 1989; and

Whereas, she became involved in the South Carolina Education Association‑Retired and served two terms as its vice president; and

Whereas, currently a member of the National Education Association and the Silver Hair Legislature, she serves as the vice president of the Palmetto Gold Star Wives and was recognized as Senior of the Day by former Lieutenant Governor André Bauer and Senator John Scott; and

Whereas, she is a faithful member of Northminster Presbyterian Church where she has served as an elder, as a church‑school teacher, and in the Presbyterian Women’s Choir; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives are pleased to honor this daughter of South Carolina at the celebration of her eighty‑fifth birthday and join with her family and friends in wishing her well in the years ahead. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, congratulate Andrena Jones Taylor of Richland County on the occasion of her eighty‑fifth 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 Andrena Jones Taylor.

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