**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE IDA DELOACH FORESTER, A NATIVE OF HAMPTON COUNTY, ON THE OCCASION OF HER ONE HUNDRED SECOND BIRTHDAY, AND TO WISH HER CONTINUED HEALTH AND HAPPINESS.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives are delighted to learn that Ida Deloach Forester, a native of Hampton County, recently celebrated her one hundred second birthday on April 10, 2012; and

Whereas, born on Blocker Hill in Brunson to Guss and Hattie Wright Deloach, young Ida came into this world on April 10, 1910, in the early part of the twentieth century, and she has been witness to many of the incredible changes and developments that have come to this nation from that time into the twenty‑first century; and

Whereas, she was educated at Macedonia School in Hampton County and has lived her entire life in Brunson. Mrs. Forester and her husband, John C. Forester, raised a fine family of three children, Herman, Willie James, and Julia, who have given their parents the joy of numerous grandchildren; and

Whereas, during her working years, she served first as a cook at Macedonia School. She also worked the farms and many households in the Brunson area; and

Whereas, a woman of faith, she is a longtime member of Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church in Brunson, where she is beloved as the nurturing Mother of the Church and serves as a deaconess. In addition, she has been a member of the Eastern Star, Ruth Chapter #225, for nearly seven decades; and

Whereas, the House of Representatives is pleased to honor this daughter of South Carolina at the celebration of her one hundred second birthday and joins with her family and friends in congratulating her 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 this resolution, congratulate Ida Deloach Forester, a native of Hampton County, on the occasion of her one hundred second birthday, and wish her continued health and happiness.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to Ida Deloach Forester.

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