**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE MARGUERITE M. MICHEL ON THE OCCASION OF HER ONE HUNDREDTH BIRTHDAY, AND TO WISH HER A JOYOUS BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION AND CONTINUED HEALTH AND HAPPINESS.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina Senate are delighted to learn that Marguerite M. Michel celebrated her one hundredth birthday on March 21, 2011; and

Whereas, the daughter of Ruth Seabrook and Leon Jackson, Marguerite Michel was born at 51 Radcliff Street, Charleston, on March 21, 1911, in the early part of the twentieth century, and she has been witness to nearly all the incredible changes and developments that have come to this nation from that time into the twenty‑first century; and

Whereas, the young Marguerite, firstborn of eleven siblings, received her education in the public schools of Charleston. She attended Emanuel Church School and joined Emanuel at an early age, receiving fellowship under the pastorate of Reverend I.W. Wilburn in 1927. One of her favorite hymns is “What a Friend We Have in Jesus,” and she cherishes Psalm 23 as one of her favorite Scriptures. She is a charter member of the stewardess board, no. 2 sect.; president of the floral guild; and a charter member of the Eastern Star, 360; and

Whereas, on December 3, 1930, she married Alphonso Michel, Sr., and in time Marguerite and Alphonso welcomed into the family seven children, Alphonso, Jr., Yvonne, Evelyn, Ruth, Andrea, Wilhelmena, and Ferrel, and later on eleven grandchildren. God also blessed Marguerite and Alphonso with thirty great‑grandchildren and seventeen great‑great‑grandchildren; and

Whereas, Marguerite Michel retired from A.B. Rhett Elementary School, where she had served as lunchroom manager for twenty‑two years; and

Whereas, the Senate is pleased to honor this daughter of South Carolina at the celebration of her one hundredth birthday on Saturday, April 23, 2011, and joins 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 Marguerite M. Michel on the occasion of her one hundredth birthday, and wish her a joyous birthday celebration and continued health and happiness.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to Marguerite M. Michel.

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