**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE READEL MAINE MURRAY OF YEMASSEE ON THE OCCASION OF HER ONE HUNDREDTH BIRTHDAY AND TO WISH HER MUCH FUTURE HAPPINESS.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives are delighted to learn that Readel Maine Murray of Yemassee celebrated her one hundredth birthday on September 28, 2012; and

Whereas, born on September 28, 1912, to Annie Maine and Gabriel Frazier, she was raised on Hobonny Plantation in Beaufort County by Joe and Caroline Maine; and

Whereas, Readel came into this world when the twentieth century was still in its youth, 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, it was on Hobonny Plantation that Readel married her dear Frank “Son” Murray, Sr., the Lord blessing the couple with a fine family of nine children. Of these, Frank, Peachie, Mander, and Ann remain, and Elouise, William, Emily, Charlotte, and Tillman are deceased; and

Whereas, a dedicated mother and molder of character for her children, grandchildren, great‑grandchildren, and great‑great‑grandchildren, Readel Murray is loved and respected by all who know her; and

Whereas, to honor Readel at this very special time in her life, her family and friends joined with her on September 29, 2012, to celebrate her centennial birthday and the wonderful memories she has created over her long lifetime. At a service and luncheon held at Mt. Sinai Baptist Church in Big Estate, this matriarch was praised and feted as the beloved treasure she is; and

Whereas, the House of Representatives is proud to honor this truly lovely lady at the celebration of her one hundredth birthday, and the members join 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 Readel Maine Murray of Yemassee on the occasion of her one hundredth birthday and wish her much future happiness.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to Readel Maine Murray.

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