**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO EXPRESS THE PROFOUND SORROW OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA SENATE UPON THE PASSING OF MRS. MAUDIE ELIZABETH ALLEN OF GREENVILLE COUNTY, AND TO EXTEND THEIR SINCERE SYMPATHY TO HER LARGE AND LOVING FAMILY AND HER MANY FRIENDS.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina Senate were deeply saddened to learn of the death of Mrs. Maudie Elizabeth Allen at the age of eighty-four on Sunday, March 3, 2013; and

Whereas, born in Simpsonville on November 6, 1928, she was the daughter of the late Isadore “D” and Lillian Sullivan. At a young age, she became a faithful member of Reedy Fork Baptist Church, where a celebration of her life was held on March 7, 2013; and

Whereas, in addition to being a person of faith, Maudie was also a person of great intellect, graduating as the salutatorian of her high school class; and

Whereas, together with her beloved husband, the late Jesse E. Allen, Sr., she reared six fine children: Geraldine Dillard, Marshall Allen, Roger Allen, Bruce Allen, Senator Karl Allen, and the late Jesse E. Allen, Jr. Their children blessed them with fourteen adoring grandchildren, nineteen great‑grandchildren, and twelve great‑great‑grandchildren; and

Whereas, Mrs. Allen worked at Union Carbide (Kennet) for twenty‑five years, retiring only at the insistence of her husband. In a romantic gesture, he had the street where they lived named for her, and she served with pride as a member of the Maudie Street Hospitality Club; and

Whereas, although the friends and family of Mrs. Allen will miss her, they will cherish memories of her love shared and lessons taught, as well her reminder to “Let it Be Real”, a favorite proverb that shared the name of a song often sung to her by a close friend; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina Senate are grateful for the life and legacy of Maudie Elizabeth Allen and for the example of sacrifice and kindness she set for all who knew her. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, express their profound sorrow upon the passing of Mrs. Maudie Elizabeth Allen of Greenville County, and extend their sincere sympathy to her large and loving family and her many friends.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to the family of Maudie Elizabeth Allen.

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