**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO EXPRESS THE PROFOUND SORROW OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA SENATE UPON THE DEATH OF ALRIDGE MURRAY OF LANE AND TO EXTEND THE DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO HIS FAMILY AND MANY FRIENDS.

Whereas, the members of the Senate were deeply saddened to learn of the death Mr. Alridge Murray on January 21, 2016, at the age of one hundred; and

Whereas, born June 15, 1915 to Thomas and Nancy Murray in Gourdin, South Carolina, it was evident at an early age that Mr. Murray was and would be special to all whose lives he touched. Mr. Murray was educated in the Williamsburg County school system; and

Whereas, Mr. Murray met Pearl Felder and soon convinced her that they were meant for each other. They were married and blessed with ten children; and

Whereas, Mr. Murray loved to have fun and laugh, and loved singing and volunteering as Lane’s Taxi Cab Driver. He enjoyed people and making them laugh. He was a lifelong farmer and a caretaker of Venture Plantation. He provided for his family and was a very respectable man with a big heart; and

Whereas, Mr. Murray was a faithful member of Bethel AME Church where he diligently worked as an usher and class leader. He received several awards, including Lane’s Town Man of the Year and Bethel AME Father of the Year; and

Whereas, he was predeceased by three daughters, Helen Murray, Lillian Murray, and Emma Ann McKnight. He leaves behind his loving and devoted wife, Pearl F. Murray; children, Alex Murray, Sr., Nancy (Wilkie) Robinson, John Henry (Hazel) Murray, Thomas (Rose) Murray, all of Lane, South Carolina; Joseph (Diane) Murray of Greeleyville, South Carolina; Carol (Friend Robert) Sabb of Florence, South Carolina; and John (Shanae) Murray of Charlotte, North Carolina; a sister, Eliza McCutchen; sisters‑in‑law, Georgia Mae Felder, Ella Felder; a brother‑in‑law, Mancy (Carlis) Felder; a son‑in‑law, Lucius McKnight; thirty grandchildren; fifty‑seven great‑grandchildren; twenty‑two great great‑grandchildren; a special caregiver, Yvonne Burns; and a host of other relatives and friends. He will be greatly missed. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the Senate, by this resolution, express their profound sorrow upon the death of Alridge Murray of Lane, and extend the deepest sympathy to his family and many friends.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the family of Mr. Alridge Murray.

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