**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO EXPRESS THE PROFOUND SORROW OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES UPON THE PASSING OF COLONEL ROBERT DONALD “BOB” MILLER, UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS, RETIRED, OF CHARLESTON COUNTY AND TO EXTEND THEIR DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO HIS LARGE AND LOVING FAMILY AND HIS MANY FRIENDS.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives were saddened to learn of the death of Colonel Robert Donald “Bob” Miller at the age of eighty‑two on Tuesday, February 10, 2015; and

Whereas, born in East Alton, Illinois, on November 19, 1932, he was the son of the late William Eathel Miller and Eddie DeVasher Miller; and

Whereas, having faithfully served his country with distinction during the Vietnam War, he retired from the United States Marine Corps. For his service he was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal with numeral 19, the Navy Commendation Medal with Combat “V” and the Gold Star, and the National Defense Service Medal with one star, along with several other recognitions; and

Whereas, a member of the Isle of Palms City Council from 1998 to 2005, Bob Miller helped make the downtown area of Isle of Palms what it is today. Early in his first four‑year term on the City Council, he took an active role to assist the city with its ownership of the Isle of Palms Marina and its redevelopment; and

Whereas, he spearheaded the council’s beautification of “Front Beach” on the island, called the Front Beach Enhancement Ocean Boulevard Beautification Project. He personally visited all of the shop owners in the area between Tenth and Fourteenth avenues on Ocean Boulevard to obtain their input for the revitalization project. When it was completed, the citizens of the Isle of Palms, out of appreciation for his significant role in the project, named the central promenade on Front Beach as Bob Miller Way; and

Whereas, Colonel Miller was a devoted parishioner at Stella Maris Roman Catholic Church on the Isle of Palms, where he was a member of the Men’s Group; and

Whereas, he was a proud member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the Lowcountry Leathernecks, and the Military Order of World Wars (MOWW); and

Whereas, together with his beloved wife of sixty years, Julianna Preston Miller, Robert Miller reared three fine children: Margaret Victoria Miller, Robert Christopher Miller, and Mark “JJ” Miller. They blessed their parents with seven adoring grandchildren and seven great‑grandchildren; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives are grateful for the life and legacy of Bob Miller and for the example of sacrifice and patriotism he set for all who knew him. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, express their profound sorrow upon the passing of Colonel Robert Donald “Bob” Miller, United States Marine Corps, Retired, of Charleston County and extend their deepest sympathy to his large and loving family and his many friends.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to the family of Colonel Robert Donald “Bob” Miller.

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