**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO EXPRESS THE PROFOUND SORROW OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES UPON THE DEATH OF MAJOR E.O. GAINEY OF BISHOPVILLE AND TO EXTEND THE DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO HIS FAMILY AND MANY FRIENDS.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives were deeply saddened to learn of the death of Major E.O. Gainey of Bishopville on March 9, 2015, at the age of seventy‑three; and

Whereas, born the son of the late Obedieth “Buddy” Gainey and Myrtle Beasley Gainey, Major Gainey was a veteran of the U.S. Army, where he served as a medic. During his career, he worked for Reeves Brothers for thirty‑five years and Galey & Lord for six years; and

Whereas, a lifetime member of Lucknow Baptist Church, where he served as chairman of the board of deacons and church treasurer, he was also a member of Lucknow Masonic Lodge #212; and

Whereas, at home, E.O. Gainey enjoyed antique cars, fishing, working in the yard, and, most important, spending time with his loving family; and

Whereas, preceded in death by his first wife, Brenda Sue Hahula Gainey, Major Gainey leaves to cherish his memory his beloved present wife of twenty‑three years, Linda Farmer Gainey of Bishopville; his children, Earl (Jennifer) Gainey of Bishopville, Michael Gainey of Bishopville, Scotty (Megan) Hopkins of Murrells Inlet, Mark (Amy) Hopkins, and a special daughter‑in‑law, Kelly Gainey, of Dayton, Ohio; nine grandchildren; and a host of other relatives and friends. He will be greatly missed. 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 death of Major E.O. Gainey of Bishopville and extend the deepest sympathy to his family and many friends.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to Mrs. Linda Farmer Gainey for the family.

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