**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE THE HONORABLE ISAAC C. JOE, SR., OF BISHOPVILLE ON THE OCCASION OF HIS ONE HUNDREDTH BIRTHDAY AND TO WISH HIM MUCH HAPPINESS IN THE DAYS AHEAD.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives are delighted to learn that the Honorable Isaac C. Joe, Sr., of Bishopville will celebrate his one hundredth birthday on June 24, 2015; and

Whereas, the son of Wiley and Minnie Hannibal Joe, Isaac Joe was born on June 24, 1915, in the early part of the twentieth century, and he has been witness to nearly all the remarkable social changes, technological advancements, and international developments that have transformed the world from that time into the second decade of the twenty‑first century; and

Whereas, as a native son of South Carolina, Isaac Joe has made it his business to enhance not only the lives of his family but also the lives of all citizens of this great State. He has served as an inspiration to many through his lifetime of service, which began when he became an enlisted member of the United States Army in 1941; and

Whereas, following discharge from the military in 1947, Isaac Joe embarked on an educational path that took him to service as an educator and principal. Education has always been a driving force in Isaac Joe’s life, motivating him to set an example for others by earning a bachelor’s degree from Morris College in 1940 and a master’s degree from South Carolina State College in 1956; and

Whereas, after the completion of his years in the field of academia, Mr. Joe continued to serve others as a member of the South Carolina House of Representatives from 1981 to 1983; and

Whereas, known as a man of integrity, he served as a real estate owner and funeral director for a number of years, and has served his God for many years as a member of St. Mark Missionary Baptist Church. However, his family will tell you that his greatest achievements lie in the excellence of his service as a loving husband, father, and grandfather; and

Whereas, Isaac Joe has always found strength for his labors in the strong support of his family: his wife, Blanche; their sons, Isaac C. Joe, Jr., and Bernard Joe; and their three grandchildren, Veronica, Sommer, and Christopher; and

Whereas, the House of Representatives is pleased to honor former Representative Isaac Joe at the celebration of his centennial birthday, and the members join with his family and friends in congratulating him 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 the Honorable Isaac C. Joe, Sr., of Bishopville on the occasion of his one hundredth birthday and wish him much happiness in the days ahead.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to the Honorable Isaac C. Joe, Sr.

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