**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO EXPRESS THE PROFOUND SORROW OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES UPON THE PASSING OF CLIFTON M. BURRESS OF LEE 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 Clifton M. Burress of Bishopville on Tuesday, February 9, 2016; and

Whereas, born in Bluefield, West Virginia, on April 13, 1946, he was the son of the late Vernon Lee Burress and the late Mabel Givens Burress and graduated from Graham High School in 1966; and

Whereas, in the patriotic tradition of the Palmetto State, Mr. Burress served his country with distinction in the United States Air Force and the United States Air Force Reserve and was a member of the American Legion Post 29; and

Whereas, he was an insurance agent for more than thirty years and also worked at Hancock‑Elmore‑Hill Funeral Home for many years; and

Whereas, Mr. Burress was a longtime and faithful member of First Baptist Church of Bishopville where he was a deacon and Sunday school teacher and served on numerous committees; and

Whereas, active and hardworking, he enjoyed meeting and fellowshipping with friends every morning over breakfast and fishing any chance he could; and

Whereas, together with his beloved wife, the late Melba C. Burress, he reared two fine children: a son, Wesley Vernon Burress, and a daughter, Misty Dawn Burress; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives are grateful for the life and legacy of Clifton Burress and for the example of diligence and friendship 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 Clifton M. Burress of Lee County and extend their deepest sympathy to his loving family and his many friends.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to the family of Clifton M. Burress.

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