**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO EXPRESS THE PROFOUND SORROW OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES UPON THE PASSING OF ALVA WADE RATCLIFF OF CASSATT 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 Alva Wade Ratcliff at the age of sixty-two on Tuesday, April 5, 2016; and

Whereas, born in Kershaw County on December 4, 1953, he was the son of the late Geneva Louise Hall Ratcliff and Wade Heyward Ratcliff; and

Whereas, Alva Wade Ratcliff was the loving husband of Patricia Moody Ratcliff and the devoted father of three fine children: Kimberly Paige Jackson of Camden, Wade Channing Ratcliff of Camden, and Ryan Alva Ratcliff of Sumter; and

Whereas, his children blessed him with the adoration of four delightful grandchildren, with whom he loved spending most of his time: Nick Jackson, Grayson Jackson, Wyatt Jackson, and Ella Ratcliff; and

Whereas, Mr. Ratcliff was a dedicated employee of DeRoyal Textile and a faithful member of the Church of Christ; and

Whereas, also left behind to cherish his fond memory are four sisters and four brothers: Annette Corbett, Martha Warr, Vera Baker, Deanna Smith, Robert Radcliff, Ben Ratcliff, Faubus Ratcliff, and Steve Ratcliff; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives are grateful for the life and legacy of Alva Ratcliff and for the example of kindness 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 Alva Wade Ratcliff of Cassatt 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 Alva Wade Ratcliff.

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