**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO HONOR JOHN “JACK” AUGUSTUS ADDEN, JR., OF ORANGEBURG COUNTY, ON THE OCCASION OF HIS ONE HUNDREDTH BIRTHDAY ON MARCH 26, 2018, AND TO WISH HIM CONTINUED HEALTH AND HAPPINESS.

Whereas, the members of the House of Representatives deem it altogether fitting and appropriate to pause in their deliberations to celebrate Mr. John “Jack” Adden, Jr., on the significant occasion of his one hundredth birthday; and

Whereas, John “Jack” Augustus Adden, Jr., was born on March 26, 1918 in Kinston, North Carolina, to Mary Elizabeth Heggie Adden and John Augustus Adden, Sr. In 1922, he and his family moved to Orangeburg, South Carolina. It was here that he chose to spend the majority of his life; and

Whereas, born a middle child sandwiched between older sister Elizabeth “Toots” Dalton Adden and younger brother Robert “Bobby” Spencer Adden, Jack graduated from Orangeburg High School in 1935. He went on to attend Clemson University for one year before moving to Concord, North Carolina and working at Cannon Mills; and

Whereas, after the bombing of Pearl Harbor, Jack joined the United States Marines Corps. He served his country for three and a half years, fighting in World War II. He spent two and a half years fighting the Axis Powers in the South Pacific on the islands of Tinian and Tawara; and

Whereas, on October 12, 1946, he married the love of his life the late Mary Rogers Harper Adden. He returned to Orangeburg and began working at the cotton mills; and

Whereas, Jack is an active member of the Orangeburg Lutheran Church and has been for over ninety years. During his time as a member, he has served on the church council; and

Whereas, he worked in the Orangeburg community for over fifty years at Crum Brothers, J.W. Pickens, and Superior Motors. Furthermore, he is a lifelong Clemson Tiger fan and a member of the American Legion; and

Whereas, when asked his secret to the longevity he has attained, he’ll reply “a little bit of bourbon and a lot of laughter”; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives are grateful for the service Jack Adden provided to this Nation and State and wish him many more days filled with love and happiness. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the House of Representatives of South Carolina, by this resolution, honor John “Jack” Augustus Adden, Jr., of Orangeburg County, on the occasion of his one hundredth birthday on March 26, 2018, and wish him continued health and happiness.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Mr. John Augustus Adden, Jr.

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