**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO EXPRESS PROFOUND SORROW UPON THE PASSING OF MR. SIDNEY WOODROW SQUIREWELL OF FAIRFIELD COUNTY, TO CELEBRATE HIS LIFE, AND TO EXTEND THE DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO HIS FAMILY AND MANY FRIENDS.

Whereas, many were deeply saddened by the passing of Mr. Sidney Woodrow Squirewell of Fairfield County on December 14, 2019, at the venerable age of one hundred and one; and

Whereas, born on May 21, 1918, Mr. Squirewell was the son of James Preston and Clara Lee Squirewell of Ridgeway. He attended the public schools of Fairfield County before serving honorably as an infantry soldier in the United States Army during World War II. When he returned home from the war, he began a lifelong career in carpentry and homebuilding, of which he spent twenty‑seven years working for Coleman’s Construction Company; and

Whereas, a man of faith, Mr. Squirewell was a dutiful member of the St. Mark Baptist Church in Ridgeway. He served as a trustee and as chairman of the trustee board of St. Mark Baptist Church for many years. In this capacity, he used his knowledge, expertise, and many skills in carpentry, to ensure that the church was in decent working order. Regardless of whether that meant repairs, remodeling, or necessary modifications, he always ensured his work was done right and done well; and

Whereas, Mr. Squirewell believed in living a life filled with happiness, often encouraging others to smile, to be happy, and to experience the many joys of life. He cherished his family and their gatherings, which were filled with laughter and song, as well as recognition and honor of God for the many blessings received by his family during his life; and

Whereas, Mr. Squirewell married Henrietta Shannon on August 9, 1948, with whom he experienced seventy‑one delightful years of marriage. The marriage resulted in seven children, Emma “Bessie” Beaty, Francina Jackson, Herbert (Geraldine) Squirewell, Elijah (Deloris) Squirewell, Sharon (Oliver) Boulware, Sidney Bernard (Henrietta) Squirewell, and Jimmy Moore who preceded him in death. He also loved and cherished his eighteen grandchildren, forty‑one great‑grandchildren, and seven great‑great‑grandchildren; and

Whereas, Mr. Sidney Woodrow Squirewell leaves a host of family and friends to cherish his memory. He will be remembered and honored as a man of character, honesty, and integrity and will be greatly missed by all who had the privilege of knowing 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 profound sorrow upon the passing of Mr. Sidney Woodrow Squirewell of Fairfield County, celebrate his life, and extend the deepest sympathy to his family and many friends.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Henrietta Shannon Squirewell for the family.

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