**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO EXPRESS THE PROFOUND SORROW OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES UPON THE PASSING OF LIEUTENANT COMMANDER JUDSON M. BRODIE, JR., OF AIKEN AND TO EXTEND THE DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO HIS FAMILY AND MANY FRIENDS.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives were deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Lieutenant Commander Judson M. Brodie, Jr., of Aiken on January 26, 2020, at the venerable age of ninety‑seven; and

Whereas, born February 28, 1922, Judson Brodie, Jr., was the son of Judson M. Brodie, Sr., and Ester Ann Murray Brodie of Aiken; and

Whereas, after graduating from Aiken High School, Judson enlisted in the United States Navy in 1940 where he served as a flight crewmember on Navy antisubmarine planes; and

Whereas, during World War II, Lieutenant Commander Brodie was stationed aboard the USS Yorktown where he fought in the Battle of Coral Sea and the Battle of Midway. The valiant actions of Brodie and the crew helped ensure a victory for the United States despite the sinking of the USS Yorktown; and

Whereas, after surviving the sinking of the USS Yorktown, Lieutenant Commander Brodie met the love of his life, Kari Nanna Grimstad, while attending a sorority dinner and dance. They were married on January 21, 1944, in Richmond, Virginia, and made their permanent home in Aiken. Together they raised three children and traveled extensively through the United States and overseas, including a two‑year tour of duty in Sicily and a trip around the world to celebrate their fiftieth wedding anniversary; and

Whereas, following his retirement from his thirty years of Naval service, Lieutenant Commander Brodie returned to Aiken where he worked for the Aiken County Tax Commission for a number of years before retiring to Edisto Beach; and

Whereas, predeceased by his beloved wife of 65 years, as well as his son, Jamie S. Brodie, Lieutenant Commander Brodie leaves to cherish his memory his son, Judson M. Brodie, III (Brenda); daughter, Kari B Lecklider; grandchildren, Evan Andrew Lecklider (Jeannie), Brendan M. Brodie (Pei Sia), and Virginia B. Frick (Kelly); step‑grandchildren, Diane B. Nape (Steven) and Elizabeth B. Schaufler (Jamie); great‑grandchildren, Deborah and Karen Lecklider, Rebecca and Glen Frick, William and Peyton Nape, and Elizabeth and Dylan Schaufler, as well as a number of nieces and nephews. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, express the profound sorrow of the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives upon the passing of Lieutenant Commander Judson M. Brodie, Jr., of Aiken and extend the deepest sympathy to his family and many friends.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Lieutenant Commander Judson M. Brodie, Jr.

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