**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE STATE LINE BAPTIST CHURCH OF GAFFNEY ON THE OCCASION OF ITS HISTORIC TWO HUNDRED TWENTY‑FIFTH ANNIVERSARY AND TO COMMEND THE CHURCH FOR TWO AND A QUARTER CENTURIES OF SERVICE TO GOD AND THE COMMUNITY.

Whereas, founded in 1794, State Line Baptist Church of Gaffney is celebrating its two hundred twenty‑fifth anniversary of Gospel ministry in 2019; and

Whereas, State Line Baptist, led by the Reverend Kristopher Showen as pastor, has sought to carry out the Great Commission with faithfulness and dedication; and

Whereas, standing on the faith and strength of its early pastors and members, State Line’s present congregation “press[es] toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus” (Philippians 3:14), continuing to preach and teach the Word of God; and

Whereas, to mark its two hundred twenty-fifth anniversary, State Line Baptist will hold a special day of celebration on Sunday, May 5, 2019; and

Whereas, State Line Baptist Church has been a beacon of light and a community worship center in Gaffney for two hundred twenty‑five years, and, God willing, will continue its heritage for many more years of worship and service. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, congratulate State Line Baptist Church of Gaffney on the occasion of its historic two hundred twenty‑fifth anniversary and commend the church for two and a quarter centuries of service to God and the community.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to State Line Baptist Church.

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