**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE SAMUEL TERRY ON THE OCCASION OF HIS ONE HUNDREDTH BIRTHDAY AND TO WISH HIM A JOYOUS BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION AND MUCH HAPPINESS IN THE DAYS AHEAD.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina Senate are delighted to join Samuel Terry in celebrating his one hundredth birthday; and

Whereas, a native of Jasper County, Samuel Terry was born the son of the late Harry Terry and Ella Griffin Terry, as the oldest of nine children. In his youth, his mother instilled in him the values of generosity, honesty, integrity, and hard work. His grandfather also had a formative impact on Samuel, nurturing his love for the outdoors by teaching him how to plow fields before he was even old enough to reach the plow’s handles; and

Whereas, even at a young age, Samuel was committed to making an honest living. By age fifteen, he was working at a local farm, and he later worked in logging; and

Whereas, in 1942, Mr. Terry began his seventy-five-year career with Big Survey Plantation. He was initially responsible for plowing the fields with a horse, but as the farming industry evolved, he used tractors and learned how to operate bulldozers and other advanced machinery, proving his ability to master any task put before him. He dedicated his life to working for the numerous generations that owned Big Survey Plantation and retired in March of 2017; and

Whereas, Mr. Terry was married to the love of his life, Jessie Lee Pinckney, for approximately seventy years. Together, they had ten children, forty-two grandchildren, eighty great-grandchildren, and forty-five great-great-grandchildren. He taught his children how to love, work hard, and laugh; and

Whereas, Mr. Terry lives by the motto that “anything worth having is worth working for, and any job worth doing is worth doing well”; and

Whereas, the Senate is proud to honor this son of South Carolina at the celebration of his one hundredth birthday, and the members join with his family and friends in congratulating him for reaching this important life milestone. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, congratulate Samuel Terry on the occasion of his one hundredth birthday and wish him a joyous birthday celebration and much happiness in the days ahead.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Samuel Terry.

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