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**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO EXPRESS PROFOUND SORROW UPON THE PASSING OF CLABIE CECIL EDMOND AND TO EXTEND THE DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO HIS FAMILY AND MANY FRIENDS.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina Senate were deeply saddened to learn of the death of Clabie Cecil Edmond on March 25, 2021; and

Whereas, a native and lifelong resident of the Batesburg‑Leesville community, Clabie Cecil Edmond was born on May 2, 1948. He was an alumnus of Twin City High School and a graduate of the prestigious South Carolina Mayor’s Institute for Community Design; and

Whereas, a veteran of the United States Marine Corps, Mr. Edmond enlisted in 1966, earning a Purple Heart for wounds sustained in Vietnam, among other distinctions; and

Whereas, Mr. Edmond served as both a town councilman and mayor pro tempore, and he was the first modern-era mayor of African descent. During his tenure, he fostered an unprecedented atmosphere of racial harmony, collaboration, and goodwill and encouraged fiscal responsibility and innovative approaches to governance. His leadership led to the establishment of the Batesburg‑Leesville Industrial Park, the ministerial advisory board, the police department advisory board, the Youth Council, the first full‑time firefighter position, and a multi‑family affordable housing community; expansion of the water and sewer systems; and improvement of the community’s Insurance Services Office rating; and

Whereas, a civic leader, Mr. Edmond served on several boards of directors, including the Lexington County Development Corporation, Midlands Technical College Campus Board, and South Carolina Recycling Market Development Advisory Council; and

Whereas, a devout Christian, Mr. Edmond was a lifelong member of the Wesley Chapel Christian Methodist Church, where he served with the Charleston‑Columbia District Area Board of Christian Education, Gospel choir, male chorus, and Lay Council and as a Bible study teacher, adult church school teacher, family ministry chair, steward board chairman, church treasurer, and director and advisor of the Batesburg‑Leesville Youth Crusade. Through the Wesley Chapel Lay Council, he started a golf tournament to raise funds for academic scholarships; and

Whereas, Mr. Edmond’s career showed great vision and extraordinary resilience. He embodied the highest standards of leadership, and he skillfully navigated racism, bureaucracy, and disorganization, all with an irrepressible and legendary good humor; and

Whereas, the South Carolina Senate is grateful to Clabie Cecil Edmond for his tireless commitment to public service, outstanding accomplishments, many contributions to the success of government organizations and the Batesburg‑Leesville community, and positive impact on countless individuals. He will be greatly missed. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, express profound sorrow upon the passing of Clabie Cecil Edmond 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 Clabie Cecil Edmond.

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