**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE MARGARET “MAGGIE” MAGWOOD ON THE GRAND OCCASION OF HER ONE HUNDREDTH BIRTHDAY AND TO WISH HER A JOYOUS BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION.

Whereas, on September 3, 1921, Margaret Dorothy Barnett was born to Able and Adabell Barnett, the third of seven daughters. Lovingly known as Maggie, her sisters were Eva Nell, Pearl, Elizabeth, Lovie, Bernice, and Rosalee; and

Whereas, raised in the White Hall community, she was educated in the Colleton County School District. She accepted the Lord when merely a teenager. As a youngster, her favorite preachers were Reverend Hayward and Reverend Stewart; and

Whereas, while living with her aunt, Laura Barnett, in Charleston, the young Maggie gained employment at a tobacco factory, packing cigars into boxes and, during that timeframe, she met the love of her life, Willie Bubba Magwood, who worked as a painter; and

Whereas, the couple married on Christmas Eve, and together they had seven beautiful children: Amos, Speedy, David, Shirley, Ada, Jerome, and Rosa. She enjoyed many years of happy partnership and love with her husband until he lost his life in a tragic car accident; and

Whereas, as her children began to start families of their own, she became a proud grandmother to many beautiful grandchildren. When her daughter Rosa passed away, then a single mother of six children, Maggie Magwood stepped forward into the motherly role once again, at the age of sixty, and raised them as her own; and

Whereas, proud of her large and beautiful family, she has been blessed with twenty‑seven grandchildren, sixty‑four great- grandchildren, and fourteen great‑great‑grandchildren; and

Whereas, her family loves to spend time together, eating her legendary cornbread, and her many fantastic meals that taste simply divine because they were handmade by her caring hands; and

Whereas, blessed with a long and active life, she continues to do crossword puzzles and chats regularly on the phone with her two girlfriends, Sue Fishburne and Helen Gary; and

Whereas, birthdays provide a special time and opportunity to celebrate and honor those of great importance in our lives, and Maggie Magwood’s family is proud to celebrate the centennial birthday of their family matriarch on September 3, 2021; and

Whereas, it is a great pleasure for the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives to join with Maggie Magwood’s family and friends to recognize this momentous occasion and congratulate her on reaching this remarkable milestone. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, congratulate Margaret “Maggie” Magwood on the grand occasion of her one hundredth birthday and wish her a joyous birthday celebration.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Maggie Magwood.

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