**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE HARMON COOPER, JR., AND JANNIE MAE EADDY COOPER ON THE OCCASION OF THEIR FIFTIETH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY AND TO EXTEND BEST WISHES FOR MUCH CONTINUED HAPPINESS AND FULFILLMENT IN THE DAYS AHEAD.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina General Assembly are pleased to learn that Harmon Cooper, Jr., and Jannie Mae Eaddy Cooper will celebrate their fiftieth wedding anniversary on July 3, 2021; and

Whereas, there is no greater success in life than a marriage and family life that endure the test of time and grow stronger with each passing year. The long‑lasting love and support of a spouse is unmatched in its importance and cannot be overestimated; and

Whereas, naturally born educators, both Harmon and Jannie have spent their careers, totaling seventy‑nine years between them, caring for and educating others. Together they have stepped into many of the rigorous and demanding roles that are required of those in the field of education, including teacher, curriculum coordinator, assistant principal, agricultural director, and principal; and

Whereas, beyond their dedication to teaching others, their other priority has always been family, as Harmon and Jannie were blessed with three wonderful children, Tasha, Harmon “Monty”, and Duane. As the years passed, they were thrilled to welcome into the fold their daughter‑in‑law, Angeleen, and their twin granddaughters, Mischa and Nora; and

Whereas, after retiring as an agricultural educator, Harmon stays engaged with the education community by serving as a commissioner of Williamsburg Technical College and as a member of the South Carolina Educators Association‑Retired. Harmon is also a United States Army veteran, a Prince Hall Mason, a member of the American Legion, a life member of the national and local NAACP, and a member of the Greater St. Mark African Methodist Episcopal Church where he has served on the steward board, as lay organization president, and male adult church school teacher; and

Whereas, a retired elementary school principal, Jannie joins her husband as a member of the South Carolina Educators Association‑Retired, and is a Golden Life member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., a member of the NAACP, and also is a member of the Greater St. Mark AME Church where she is the president of the women’s missionary society; and

Whereas, their commitment to one another, to their family, and to their faith is to be revered and serves as an inspiration to both family and friends. Their work over the last fifty years has not been for praise or accolade, but to please the Lord; and

Whereas, it is with great pleasure that the members of the South Carolina General Assembly express their congratulations to these two special South Carolinians on reaching the milestone of their golden wedding anniversary. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:

That the members of the South Carolina General Assembly, by this resolution, congratulate Harmon Cooper, Jr., and Jannie Mae Eaddy Cooper on the occasion of their fiftieth wedding anniversary and extend best wishes for much continued happiness and fulfillment in the days ahead.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Harmon Cooper, Jr., and Jannie Mae Eaddy Cooper.

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