**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE WILLIE MAE MEEKINS OF GREENVILLE COUNTY ON THE OCCASION OF HER ONE HUNDREDTH BIRTHDAY AND TO WISH HER A JOYOUS BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION AND MANY YEARS OF CONTINUED HEALTH AND HAPPINESS.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives are delighted to learn that Willie Mae Meekins of Greenville County will celebrate her one hundredth birthday surrounded by family and friends on Saturday, April 30, 2022, at New Pleasant Grove Baptist Church in Pelzer; and

Whereas, born on April 29, 1922, in the first quarter of the twentieth century, she has witnessed the many remarkable social changes, technological advancements, and international developments that have spanned the globe from that time into the first quarter of the twenty‑first century; and

Whereas, the daughter of the late Willie and Janie Woods Golden, Mrs. Meekins was born in southern Greenville County and was reared in a large family, the third of ten children; and

Whereas, she attended the public schools of Greenville County and lived on the campus of historic Chapman Grove High School where she excelled in basketball and was a member of the graduating class of 1940; and

Whereas, Mrs. Meekins and her beloved husband, the late Deacon Woodrow Meekins, believed strongly in formal education. All of their seven children are high school graduates; four are college graduates, and three have retired from careers in the military; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives are pleased to honor this daughter of South Carolina at the celebration of her one hundredth birthday and join with her family and friends in congratulating her on reaching this extraordinary 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 Willie Mae Meekins of Greenville County on the occasion of her one hundredth birthday and wish her a joyous birthday celebration and many years of continued health and happiness.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Willie Mae Meekins.

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