**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE ALLEN CHAPEL AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF BEAUFORT COUNTY ON THE OCCASION OF ITS HISTORIC ONE HUNDRED FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY IN 2019 AND TO COMMEND THE CHURCH FOR MORE THAN A CENTURY AND A HALF OF SERVICE TO GOD AND THE COMMUNITY.

Whereas, founded in 1869, Allen Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church of Beaufort County is celebrating its one hundred fiftieth anniversary of Gospel ministry in 2019; and

Whereas, Allen Chapel, led by the Reverend Keith A. Parker I, as pastor, has sought to carry out the Great Commission with faithfulness and dedication; and

Whereas, by God’s grace, Allen Chapel’s history has spanned more than one hundred fifty years, and its congregation, having weathered the storms and triumphantly celebrated the victories the years have brought, continues to pass on a rich heritage of faith. As a part of that heritage, Allen Chapel also continues to meet the needs of its people and of the community with the help of the Lord; and

Whereas, Allen Chapel has been a beacon of light and a community worship center in Beaufort County for one hundred fifty years, and God willing, will continue its godly heritage for many more years of worship and service. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, congratulate Allen Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church of Beaufort County on the occasion of its historic one hundred fiftieth anniversary in 2019 and commend the church for more than a century and a half of service to God and the community.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Reverend Keith A. Parker I and the Allen Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church.

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