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A house RESOLUTION

TO CONGRATULATE M.D. FLOYD OF CHEROKEE COUNTY ON THE OCCASION OF HIS ONE HUNDREDTH BIRTHDAY AND TO WISH HIM A JOYOUS BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION AND MUCH HAPPINESS IN THE DAYS AHEAD.

Whereas, the South Carolina House of Representatives is pleased to learn that M.D. Floyd of Cherokee County will celebrate his one hundredth birthday on July 20, 2025; and

Whereas, M.D. Floyd is a World War II veteran who attributes his longevity to eating hot jalapeño peppers daily. He owns a life story marked by resilience, dedication, and a deep sense of community service; and

Whereas, born in Gaffney, he moved with his family to Cherokee Falls and entered the workforce early, leaving school in the 10th grade. (Later, in 1975, he earned his GED.) He joined the Navy in 1943 during World War II and served as a welder aboard repair ships in the Pacific, often working under dangerous conditions to restore damaged vessels. He served in the U.S. Navy for twenty-two years across World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War, traveling to places like Trinidad, Norfolk, Rhode Island, and the Great Lakes in Illinois. One memorable mission involved emergency repairs to a Swedish tanker that had collided with another ship. Mr. Floyd and his crew worked for sixteen days straight to fix the damage; and

Whereas, following his retirement from the Navy, Mr. Floyd continued to lead a productive life, working at Duke Power until 1988 and then at Gordon’s Mortuary funeral home until the age of ninety. His commitment to service didn’t go unnoticed: He was honored as the grand marshal for the local Independence Day celebration and golf cart parade; and

Whereas, despite his age, Mr. Floyd is still active. In fact, he renewed his driver’s license at age ninety‑seven; and

Whereas, M.D. Floyd’s zest for life is matched by his affection for his wife, Betty, with whom he has shared nearly seven decades of marriage. As he approaches his one hundredth birthday, he remains a symbol of vitality and purpose. His advice for a long life? Stay active, serve others, and don’t forget your daily hot peppers!; and

Whereas, the South Carolina House of Representatives is pleased to honor Mr. Floyd at the celebration of his one hundredth birthday, and the members join with his family and friends in congratulating him on reaching this remarkable life 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 M.D. Floyd of Cherokee County on the occasion of his one hundredth birthday and wish him a joyous birthday celebration and much happiness in the days ahead.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to M.D. Floyd.

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