**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO EXPRESS THE PROFOUND SORROW OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES UPON THE PASSING OF WILLIAM S. “BILLIE” BALDWIN, SR., OF COLLETON COUNTY AND TO EXTEND THEIR DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO HIS LARGE AND LOVING FAMILY AND HIS MANY FRIENDS.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives were saddened to learn of the death of William S. “Billie” Baldwin, Sr., at the age of seventy‑nine on February 23, 2013; and

Whereas, born on Fenwick Island on August 14, 1933, Billie Baldwin was the son of the late Frank Eugene and Louise Bivens Baldwin; and

Whereas, he served as the manager of Dodge Plantation for forty‑three years, and for more than thirty years he owned and operated the W. S. Baldwin Seafood Company; and

Whereas, for fourteen years, he served his community on the Colleton County Council, and he was a former member of the South Carolina Shrimper’s Association; and

Whereas, a founding member of the Bennett’s Point Fire Department, he loved hunting, fishing, cooking, and farming, and he considered one of his proudest achievements to be the recent establishment of Bennett’s Point Interdenominational Chapel; and

Whereas, he was an ardent outdoorsman, leather craftsman, and author, having recently published his book, *Reflections of My Island Life*; and

Whereas, together with his beloved wife, Glenna Allison Baldwin, he reared five fine children; Emily Louise Baldwin Bristow of Clover; W. S. “Tadpole” Baldwin, Jr., and Richard Prentiss Baldwin of Bennett’s Point; Claudia Lee Baldwin Boensch of Walterboro; and the late Martha Carolyn Baldwin Felder. He was blessed with nine grandchildren, eight great‑grandchildren, and a very dear friend, William “Bootsie” Brown, whom he loved as a son; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives are grateful for the life and legacy of this son of the Palmetto State, Billie Baldwin, and for the example of service and kindness he set for all who knew and admired him. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, express their profound sorrow upon the passing of William S. “Billie” Baldwin, Sr., of Colleton County and extend their deepest sympathy to his large and loving family and his many friends.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to the family of William S. “Billie” Baldwin, Sr.

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