**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO EXPRESS THE PROFOUND SORROW OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES UPON THE PASSING OF THE HONORABLE JESSE EDISON HINES, SR., OF FLORENCE COUNTY AND TO EXTEND THEIR DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO HIS LARGE AND LOVING FAMILY AND HIS MANY FRIENDS.

Whereas, the members of the House of Representatives of the State of South Carolina were saddened to learn of the death of the Honorable Jesse Edison Hines, Sr., at the age of eighty on Sunday, September 1, 2013; and

Whereas, born in Florence County on May 23, 1933, he was the devoted son of Columbus Hines and Amy Hines McAllister, and he graduated from Wilson High School in Florence in 1951; and

Whereas, Jesse Hines earned a bachelor of science and agriculture from South Carolina State College in 1955, and after graduation, he worked in the steel industry in Bridgeport, Connecticut; and

Whereas, he was drafted to serve his country during the Korean Conflict and deployed to Korea where he served for more than fourteen months, and he was honorably discharged in 1959; and

Whereas, upon returning to South Carolina, Mr. Hines taught agriculture at Spaulding High School for eighteen years, mentoring many award‑winning students through the Future Farmers of America; and

Whereas, he returned to his alma mater where he earned a master’s in education in 1967, and then he completed certification in administration at the University of South Carolina and Clemson University; and

Whereas, from 1977 until he retired in 1989, Mr. Hines served as the Vocational Director of the Lee County Career and Technology Center, but he returned to education as the Director of Adult and Community Education for Darlington and then as the interim Superintendent of Florence County District Four; and

Whereas, in 1991, he was elected to represent District 62 in the South Carolina House of Representatives where he served faithfully for fourteen years, lending his insight and expertise to numerous committees, including the Education and Public Works Committee and as 2nd vice chairman of the Agriculture, Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs Committee; and

Whereas, Jesse Hines’ many awards for outstanding service to his community and State culminated in his receiving the prestigious Order of the Palmetto, the state’s highest civilian award; and

Whereas, he was a member of the NAACP; Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc.; Meadow Prong Lodge #246 Free and Accepted Masons; Meadow Prong Baptist Church; and a founding member of New Christian Fellowship Baptist Church; and

Whereas, for more than fifty‑three years, he was married to his beloved wife, Neverseen K. Hines, and together they reared two fine children, Wanda H. Robinson and Jesse E. Hines, Jr. They blessed their parents with four adoring grandchildren; and

Whereas, the members of the House of Representatives of the State of South Carolina are grateful for the life and legacy of the Honorable Jesse Edison Hines, Sr., and for the example of dedication and excellence he set for all who knew 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 the Honorable Jesse Edison Hines, Sr., of Florence 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 the Honorable Jesse Edison Hines, Sr.

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