**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO EXPRESS THE PROFOUND SORROW OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES UPON THE PASSING OF HOYT C. BELLAMY, SR., OF HORRY 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 Hoyt C. Bellamy, Sr., at the age of eighty‑eight on April 29, 2016; and

Whereas, born in Conway on January 16, 1928, he was a son of the late Thelma Watts Bellamy and the late Clyde Bellamy, and in the proud tradition of the Palmetto State, he served with distinction in the United States Air Force during World War II; and

Whereas, a graduate of the FBI Academy, Mr. Bellamy served as the assistant chief of the Myrtle Beach Police Department and as a lieutenant in the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED); and

Whereas, he was a forty‑five‑year veteran of law enforcement and exerted a significant and beneficial impact on many sectors in the community. He was a member of Beachcombers, the Myrtle Beach Shrine Club, and OMAR Shrine Temple; and

Whereas, Mr. Bellamy formerly served as the president of Horry Shrine Club, Masonic Lodge #319, and president of the South Carolina Law Enforcement Officers Association; and

Whereas, he and his beloved wife, Geraldine B. Bellamy, reared five fine children: Hoyt “Chip” Bellamy, Jr., of Myrtle Beach; Tracey D. Bellamy of Kennesaw, Georgia; G. Scott Bellamy of Myrtle Beach; Linda Carroll Yarborough of Florence; and one step‑daughter, Michelle Broyles of Conway; and

Whereas, these children blessed him with the love of seventeen grandchildren and several great‑grandchildren; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives are grateful for the life and legacy of Hoyt Bellamy and for the remarkable example he set in his life of public service. 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 Hoyt C. Bellamy, Sr., of Horry 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 presented to the family of Hoyt C. Bellamy, Sr.

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