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**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE LIFE AND SERVICE OF THE HONORABLE AND MRS. CLYDE ALFRED ELTZROTH, AND TO CELEBRATE THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THIS FINE SON AND DAUGHTER OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

Whereas, it is altogether fitting that the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives pause in their deliberations to consider the significant contributions and noteworthy legacy of Sara Carolina Platts Eltzroth and Clyde Alfred Eltzroth; and

Whereas, born in McElroy, Louisiana, on July 10, 1916, Clyde Eltzroth moved to Varnville the following year with his parents, the late Angele Crosby Eltzroth Pinckney and Clyde Eltzroth; and

Whereas, he graduated from Varnville High School in 1932 and served his country in the United States Navy during World War II from 1944 to 1946; and

Whereas, Sara Carolina Platts was born to the late Rose Trowbridge Platts and Carl Shelton Platts on February 28, 1917, in the Hickory Grove Community of Hampton County; and

Whereas, the valedictory graduate from the high school in Brunson in 1933, she went to Augusta to complete her education at Armstrong Business College; and

Whereas, married in 1937, Sara and Clyde Eltzroth raised three fine children, Rose‑Marie Eltzroth Williams, Judith Eltzroth Perryman, and Clyde A. “Jack” Eltzroth, who blessed them with seven adoring grandchildren and six great‑grandsons; and

Whereas, a devoted homemaker and church worker at Varnville United Methodist Church, Sara Eltzroth served as treasurer for the Orangeburg District and vice president for the Walterboro District United Methodist Women; and

Whereas, for over forty years she raised money for the Cancer Society, and her extensive involvement in the American Legion Auxiliary led to her appointment as chaplain of the state organization for many years; and

Whereas, she also served with grace and kindness as the chaplain and senior counselor for Girls State for twenty‑three years and as the director of Girls State for three years; and

Whereas, a charter member of the Hampton County Historical Society and the Varnville Area Housing Commission, Sara Eltzroth exhibited commitment to her local community and was well named 1978‑1979 Citizen of the Year by the Lion’s Club; and

Whereas, beginning a long and illustrious career, Clyde Eltzroth was appointed tax collector after World War II for Hampton County from 1946 to 1953; and

Whereas, during this time, he studied law at night with Randolph (Buster) Murdaugh, and from 1952 until 1975 they practiced law with J. Robert Peters, Jr., while Clyde Eltzroth also served on the board of visitors for Clemson University and as chairman of the South Carolina Marine and Resources Commission; and

Whereas, from 1961 to 1964, he represented Hampton County in the South Carolina Legislature, and in 1975, he was elected Fourteenth Judicial Circuit judge by the General Assembly and also served as a special circuit judge from 1980 to 1991; and

Whereas, he was named 1968 Conservationist of the Year by the South Carolina Wildlife Federation and was influential in establishing the Marine Resource Center in Charleston and the wildlife management graduate degree at Clemson University; and

Whereas, in 2007, he was awarded a certificate for sixty‑one years of continuous membership by the American Legion Post 108 of Hampton, and community appreciation for his exceptional contributions was recognized in many awards such as being named Hampton County’s 1975 Outstanding Citizen by the Hampton County Rotary Club; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives are grateful for the extraordinary contributions of this remarkable couple to their community and to our great State. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, recognize and honor the lives and service of the Honorable and Mrs. Clyde Alfred Eltzroth, and celebrate the accomplishments of this fine son and daughter of South Carolina.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to the family of the Honorable and Mrs. Clyde Alfred Eltzroth.

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