**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO HONOR AND CONGRATULATE MR. AND MRS. OTIS DARR FRICK OF LEXINGTON COUNTY, UPON THE OCCASION OF THEIR SIXTY‑FIFTH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY, AND TO EXTEND BEST WISHES FOR CONTINUED BLESSING AND FULFILLMENT TOGETHER.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina Senate are pleased to learn that Otis Darr and Suzette Hunter Frick reached the benchmark of sixty‑five years of wedded fidelity on May 18, 2011; and

Whereas, Suzette and Darr Frick’s loving commitment to one another, to their faith, and to their community over the past sixty‑five years is to be revered and serves as an inspiration to both family and friends; and

Whereas, born in the Stoney Hill Community of Newberry County on December 28, 1925, Suzette Hunter met Darr in 1943 after she had graduated from Stoney Hill High School and while visiting her sister in Chapin; and

Whereas, Otis Darr Frick was born June 8, 1923, and started working for the family saw-mill business at the age of fourteen before meeting Suzette and answering the call to military service during World War II; and

Whereas, he served with distinction in the United States Army, and after he was discharged, he and Suzette were married on May 18, 1946. As they began their family, Darr returned to work in the family saw-mill business, farmed their land, and later worked for the South Carolina Forestry Commission while Suzette provided for the health, welfare, and education of their growing family; and

Whereas, in 1960, Suzette and Darr opened Frick’s Grocery where they served the community and made many lasting friendships; and

Whereas, Darr and Suzette are longstanding and faithful members of Darr’s home church, St. Peter Lutheran Church in Chapin, which has served as a spiritual center for the Frick family ever since 1794; and

Whereas, together they reared five fine children: two daughters, Paulette Frick Lindler and Zeolean Frick Kinard; and three sons, Randy Frick, Melvin Frick, and Ashley Frick, who have blessed their parents with twelve grandchildren, ten great‑grandchildren, and two great‑great‑grandchildren, to whom they are known affectionately as Papa and Mama Suzy; and

Whereas, Suzette is known for having fun and playing Setback with her friends, and Darr is known for telling stories and his love of and success at growing large vegetables in his garden. Most of all, Suzette and Darr are known for their love of family and friends; and

Whereas, in celebration of their sixty‑five years of marriage, the couple was honored by their children with a drop‑in held at St. Peter Lutheran Church in Chapin; and

Whereas, it is with great pleasure that the Senate expresses its congratulations to these two special South Carolinians on reaching the milestone of their sixty‑fifth wedding anniversary. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, honor and congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Otis Darr Frick of Lexington County, upon the occasion of their sixty‑fifth wedding anniversary, and extend best wishes for continued blessing and fulfillment together.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to Mr. and Mrs. Otis Darr Frick.

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