**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO EXPRESS THE PROFOUND SORROW OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, UPON THE PASSING OF CLAUDETTE MUNDY ALFORD, AND TO EXTEND THEIR DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO HER LARGE AND LOVING FAMILY AND HER MANY FRIENDS.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives were saddened to learn of the death of Claudette Mundy Alford at the age of sixty‑five on April 22, 2014; and

Whereas, the daughter of Ida and Claude Mundy, Jr., she was born on August 7, 1948, in Tuskegee, Alabama, while her father was studying at Tuskegee Institute; and

Whereas, shortly after Claudette was born, her family returned to Atlanta, Georgia, where she graduated from Harper High School and attended Spelman College; and

Whereas, she enjoyed a successful and meaningful career as an administrative assistant at Morehouse College, touching the lives of countless students and often serving as a surrogate mother by typing term papers, making a home‑cooked meal, or providing a summer place to live for students; and

Whereas, a perennial best friend for many, Claudette Alford was the life of any party, energizing everyone in the room with her *joie de vivre*, and she had an inestimable ability to offer just the right advice and counsel to her friends in any situation from her wealth of wisdom; and

Whereas, she and her former husband, Stephen Alford, committed themselves to rearing their two sons, Stanley Charles Alford and Stephen Jerod Alford, with love and affection. These fine sons blessed her with the love of eight adoring grandchildren: Taylor Alford; Lauren Alford; Erin Alford; Avery Alford; Nadia Alford; Stephen Jerod Alford, II; Kyle Alford; and Kheir Alford; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives are grateful for the life and legacy of Claudette Alford and for the abundant life of service, kindness, and generosity she set for all who knew her. 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 Claudette Mundy Alford, and extend their deepest sympathy to her large and loving family and her many friends.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Claudette Mundy Alford.

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