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A senate RESOLUTION

TO CONGRATULATE ernestine bostick brunson ON THE OCCASION OF HER one hundredth BIRTHDAY AND TO WISH HER A JOYOUS BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION AND MUCH HAPPINESS IN THE years AHEAD.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina Senate are pleased to learn that Ernestine Bostick Brunson will celebrate this momentous occasion on January 26, 2025, at Mt. Prospect Baptist Church; and

Whereas, a native of St. Stephen, Mrs. Ernestine was born on January 23, 1925, to the late Jeff Bostick and the late Julia Carr Bostick; and

Whereas, Mrs. Ernestine attended and graduated from the St. Stephen Colored School. She shares stories of walking five or more miles each day to school and how, in inclement weather, they sometimes stayed with a family friend who lived close to the school so that they could continue to attend; and

Whereas, upon her father’s early passing, Mrs. Ernestine’s mother, Julia, had to take care of providing for the family. Mrs. Ernestine remembers helping her mother pick cotton and take care of their livestock. The whole family had to help with the workload; and

Whereas, Mrs. Ernestine’s mother gave her and her siblings a strong foundation of resilience and faith. A devout Christian, Mrs. Ernestine accepted Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior at an early age. She is a member of New Life United Methodist Church in St Stephen; and

Whereas, Mrs. Ernestine married the late James Brunson, and together they had three children, Charles, Faye, and Sabrenia. She was a stay‑at‑home mother who, in addition to taking care of her own children, took care of children in her community for over twenty years; and

Whereas, Mrs. Ernestine has five grandchildren and five great‑grandchildren. Her four siblings, Vera, Daniel, Douglas, and Johnny, have passed away but are cherished in memory; and

Whereas, in her free time, she enjoys growing flowers and watching her favorite tv shows: the Price is Right, Wheel of Fortune, and Jeopardy! She also enjoys talking and laughing with family and friends and writing letters and sending cards to her loved ones; and

Whereas, Mrs. Ernestine loves encouraging others. Her favorite sayings are “Every day is a good day,” “Thank God for health and strength,” “You are judged by the company you keep,” “Every tub got to sit on its own bottom,”, and “Age is but a number, even at one hundred”; and

Whereas, Mrs. Ernestine has seen sixteen presidents serve our country from 1925 to today. Her favorite has been former President Barack Obama; and

Whereas, the South Carolina Senate takes great pleasure in honoring this daughter of South Carolina at the celebration of her one hundredth birthday and is pleased to join with her family and friends in congratulating her. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, congratulate Ernestine Bostick Brunson on the occasion of her one hundredth birthday and wish her a joyous birthday celebration and much happiness in the days ahead.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Ernestine Bostick Brunson.

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