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A house RESOLUTION

TO CONGRATULATE Minnie Inez Ruff Cloud OF Fairfield COUNTY ON THE OCCASION OF HER ONE HUNDREDTH BIRTHDAY AND TO WISH HER A JOYOUS BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION AND CONTINUED HEALTH AND HAPPINESS.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives are delighted to learn that Minnie Cloud will celebrate her one hundredth birthday surrounded by family and friends on March 21, 2025; and

Whereas, born on March 22, 1925, in the first quarter of the twentieth century, she has witnessed the many remarkable social changes, technological advancements, and international developments that have spanned the globe from that time into the first quarter of the twenty-first century; and

Whereas, the youngest child of John and Ethel Ruff, she was reared in Winnsboro where she spent most of her adult life, and she continues to be a valuable resident of Winnsboro’s Greenbriar Community; and

Whereas, all her life Mrs. Cloud has been a faithful member of St. Luke Baptist Church in Winnsboro, serving the congregation in the choir and on the missionary, decoration, and hospitality auxiliaries; and

Whereas, without a license or formal training, she taught a sort of mathematics through her example, not in a school classroom but in her community, when she added the values of love and hard work to her life; subtracted a can’t do attitude from her mind; multiplied these concepts in her home, church, and community; and divided them among her children; and

Whereas, for many years, Mrs. Cloud owned her own business as a cosmetologist, and she worked and owned a business in the floral industry, creating beautiful floral arrangements and growing elaborate plants. She was employed and later retired from Midlands Center, a division of the South Carolina Department of Disabilities and Special Needs; and

Whereas, she attributes her longevity and strength to her steadfast love of God and her faith in God’s grace. Well-known for her compassion, she has been a friend to the friendless and a mother to the motherless and has provided a home, food, and clothes for those in need; and

Whereas, together with her beloved husband, the late Gus Cloud, she reared four fine children: Larry, Gussie, Anthony, and Wendell; and

Whereas, a great cook and hostess, she finds joy in providing gatherings for her beloved family. Her beautiful handmade quilts have been shared with many, and she enjoys arranging flowers; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives are pleased to honor this daughter of South Carolina at the celebration of her one hundredth birthday and join with her family and friends in congratulating her on reaching this extraordinary milestone. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, congratulate Minnie Inez Ruff Cloud of Fairfield County on the occasion of her one hundredth birthday and wish her a joyous birthday celebration and continued health and happiness.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Minnie Inez Ruff Cloud.

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