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**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR VICTORIA MARTIN THOMAS FOR HER DEDICATED SERVICE AS AN EDUCATOR SPANNING MORE THAN THREE DECADES.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives are pleased to learn that veteran educator Victoria Martin Thomas will be honored at the Spring Valley Country Club on March 12, 2011; and

Whereas, born in Fairfield County on August 21, 1930, she is the daughter of Simpson and Maggie Whitener Martin, and in 1949, she graduated from Camp Liberty High School; and

Whereas, she earned a bachelor’s degree from Benedict College in 1953 and completed a degree for a master of education in 1961 at Wayne State University in Detroit, Michigan; and

Whereas, she completed further graduate work at the University of South Carolina and received her principal certificate; and

Whereas, Victoria Martin taught first grade at Carver Elementary School for twenty‑nine years and at John P. Thomas Elementary School for three years; and

Whereas, after thirty‑two years as a classroom teacher she retired in 1985, but she continued to work with testing and evaluation through the Central Office and Testing for home‑taught youth; and

Whereas, she and her beloved husband, Roland L. Thomas, reared two fine sons, who blessed them with seven adoring grandchildren; and

Whereas, for over thirty years Victoria Martin has ministered to many young brides as a wedding planner and coordinator; and

Whereas, she was a member of St. Peters African Methodist Episcopal Church for thirty‑six years and then a member of St. Martin de Porres Church where she serves as president of the Rosary Altar Society, as a lecter, and as a Eucharistic minister; and

Whereas, included in her numerous church activities, she served as the past president of the Midlands Deanery and as the treasurer of the South Carolina Council of Catholic Women; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives are grateful for the commitment that Victoria Martin Thomas has exhibited in educating the youth of our State and for thus preparing them to be productive citizens in their communities. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the House of Representatives of the State of South Carolina, by this resolution, recognize and honor Victoria Martin Thomas for her dedicated service as an educator spanning more than three decades.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Victoria Martin Thomas.

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