**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE ADDISON BOSTAIN OF LEXINGTON COUNTY ON THE OCCASION OF HIS ONE HUNDREDTH BIRTHDAY AND TO WISH HIM A JOYOUS BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION AND MANY YEARS OF CONTINUED HEALTH AND HAPPINESS.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina General Assembly are delighted to learn that Addison Bostain of Lexington County will celebrate his one hundredth birthday at the New Chapin Town Hall on January 19, 2014; and

Whereas, born on January 19, 1914, in a four‑room house in Whiteside, Tennessee, in the early part of the twentieth century, he has witnessed many remarkable social changes, technological advancements, and international developments that have spanned the globe from that time into the second decade of the twenty‑first century; and

Whereas, his parents were Bertha Sexton and Addison Bostain, Sr., and when his father built a steam plant on the Broad River at Parr, South Carolina in 1925, young Addison moved to Peak where he attended a two‑room school and then moved to Chapin in 1927 when his father built the power house at the Lake Murray Dam; and

Whereas, in 1930, he graduated from Chapin High School where he played baseball and basketball, and he continued to play baseball in the Dutch Fork League on Chapin’s town team in the 1930s and 1940s; and

Whereas, he earned a bachelor’s in geology from the University of South Carolina in 1934 and taught science and coached baseball and basketball at Chapin High School from 1934 to 1942, serving one year as principal. Only twenty years old when he began teaching, he was younger than some of his students; and

Whereas, after coaching Mary Ellen Fulmer in basketball there, he married her on February 1, 1941. He remained married to his beloved wife for seventy‑one years until her death in 2012, and together they reared three fine children: Patricia Lewandowski, Barbara Sweatman, and Ronnie Bostain; and

Whereas, he served his country with distinction in the United States Army Medical Administrative Corps from 1943 to 1946, earning the American Theater Medal and WWII Victory Medal, and was honorably discharged with the rank of 1st Lieutenant; and

Whereas, in the early 1950s, he taught and coached baseball for two years at Eau Claire High School in Columbia, following which he served for twenty‑three years with the South Carolina Employment Security Commission and retired in 1970; and

Whereas, he began developing land at Lake Murray in 1959, including Lake Point and Dutchman Shores where he now resides, and after his retirement, he started St. Andrews Realty Company, buying and selling land on Lake Murray and in Dutch Fork; and

Whereas, in 1989, he co‑authored *Chapin South Carolina The First 100 Years*. In 1993, he was honored with induction into the Chapin Hall of Fame, and in 2005, he received the prestigious Order of the Silver Crescent from Governor Mark Sanford; and

Whereas, a long‑time member of Chapin United Methodist Church, he has served on the board of elders and wrote a history of the church, and he still enjoys playing bridge, reading, working crossword puzzles, and following the University of South Carolina sports; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina General Assembly are pleased to honor this South Carolina treasure at the celebration of his one hundredth birthday and join with his family and friends in congratulating him on reaching this extraordinary milestone. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:

That the members of the South Carolina General Assembly, by this resolution, congratulate Addison Bostain of Lexington County on the occasion of his one hundredth birthday and wish him a joyous birthday celebration and many years of continued health and happiness.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Addison Bostain.

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