**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE CLOVER HOLLY GATLING WOLF OF LEXINGTON COUNTY, ON THE OCCASION OF HER ONE HUNDREDTH BIRTHDAY, AND TO WISH HER A JOYOUS BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION AND MANY YEARS OF CONTINUED HEALTH AND HAPPINESS.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina Senate are delighted to learn that Clover Holly Gatling Wolf of Lexington County will celebrate her one hundredth birthday on February 5, 2014; and

Whereas, born on February 5, 1914, in the early part of the twentieth century, she 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, the only child of Herbert and Florence Holly, Clover Holly was born in Brooklyn, New York, and met her beloved husband the late William L. Gatling, Jr., at Duke University; after marrying in 1932, together they reared three fine children: the late Priscilla Laidlaw, Holly Gatling, and Laddie Gatling; and

Whereas, after putting her husband through Virginia Theological Seminary, she became a stay‑at‑home mother and continued her college education which had been put on hold following her marriage; and

Whereas, from the University of South Carolina, she earned a bachelor’s degree, a master’s degree, and a doctor of philosophy, the latter at the age of sixty‑six; and

Whereas, she enjoyed a career in radio as a talk show host for WAGA and WSB in Atlanta and for WTOP in Washington, D.C., and later taught English at Midlands Technical College; and

Whereas, in 1984, Clover and William Gatling moved into Still Hopes Retirement Community, and after Mr. Gatling passed away in 1989, she continued to reside at Still Hopes, where she is currently the longest residing resident; and

Whereas, at the age of eighty‑three, Clover Gatling married her second husband, Robert A. Wolf, a fellow resident of Still Hopes and an aeronautical engineer who had worked on the development of the Bell Helicopter. The newlyweds flew off on their honeymoon in a Bell Helicopter; and

Whereas, after being widowed again in 1998, Mrs. Wolf, who was in excellent health and remained very active, spent many years visiting friends, reading to fellow residents and friends who were visually impaired, and enjoying life and the many events and activities afforded her at Still Hopes; and

Whereas, in 2011, she moved into assisted living at Still Hopes, where she continues to enjoy life; she is an avid reader of the *New Yorker* magazine and loves literature about Ireland; she enjoys the company of her family, including eleven grandchildren and five great‑grandchildren, and attends Sunday Mass at Good Shepherd Catholic Church; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina Senate are pleased to honor Clover Wolf, a remarkable woman, wife, mother, and friend, 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 Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, congratulate Clover Holly Gatling Wolf of Lexington County, on the occasion of her one hundredth birthday, and wish her a joyous birthday celebration and many years of continued health and happiness.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to Clover Holly Gatling Wolf.

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