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A senate RESOLUTION

to recognize and honor Chief Master Sergeant Hoyt Gamble, Jr., for his illustrious service in the United States Air Force, and to applaud his distinguished career.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina Senate are pleased to honor citizens like Chief Master Sergeant Hoyt Gamble, Jr., who have served our nation well and brought distinction to our State; and

Whereas, born in Manning on June 14, 1944, Chief Gamble graduated from Manning High School in May 1962, and in the proud tradition of the sons of South Carolina, he entered the United States Air Force that same month; and

Whereas, after completing basic military training and the Security Police Technical School at Lackland Air Force Base (AFB) in Texas, he embarked on a career that took him to Ramstein Air Base in Germany, Hill AFB in Utah, McConnell AFB in Kansas, Ramey AFB in Puerto Rico, Osan Air Base in Korea, and finally Andrews AFB in Maryland in September 1979 for the second time; and

Whereas, throughout his assignments, Chief Gamble performed a myriad of Security Police duties to include Close-In-Sentry, Base Patrolman, Desk Sergeant, Security Controller, Traffic Investigator, non-commissioned officer in charge (NCOIC) Training, Law Enforcement/Security Flight Chief, Presidential Aircraft Security non-commissioned officer (NCO), NCOIC of Plans and Programs, Superintendent of Administration and Reports, and Security Police Manager; and

Whereas, in May 1985, Chief Gamble assumed the position of Chief of Presidential Aircraft Security, 89th Security Police Squadron at Andrews AFB. He was responsible for the management, supervision, and administration of personnel providing security for Presidential and Special Air Mission aircraft. He accompanied the aircraft transporting the President of the United States to oversee the security effort; and

Whereas, during his tenure in this position, he was heavily involved in the Air Force One Replacement Program, the design and construction of the Air Force One Support Complex, including an elaborate alarm system. He was in on the ground floor of the Senior Executive Support Service Mission and initiated numerous programs developed to enhance security provided to Air Force One and the executive fleet; and

Whereas, his exceptional military career earned him numerous military decorations: the Air Force Meritorious Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster, the Air Force Commendation Medal with one oak leaf cluster, the Joint Meritorious Unit Award, Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with Valor Device, Air Force Good Conduct Medal with one silver and two bronze oak leaf clusters, National Defense Service Medal with one bronze star, Vietnam Service Medal with five campaigns, Air Force Overseas Short Tour Ribbon with two oak leaf clusters, Air Force Overseas Long Tour Ribbon with one oak leaf cluster, Air Force Longevity Award Ribbon with six oak leaf clusters, PME Graduate Ribbon with two oak leaf clusters, Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon with one bronze star, Air Force Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross with Palm, and the Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal; and

Whereas, together with his beloved wife, the former Lindia A. Freeman of Salt Lake City, Utah, they reared two fine daughters, Lanetta, who is now deceased, and Donniel; and

Whereas, the South Carolina Senate deeply appreciates the long, proud service of those who serve with distinction in the United States Armed Forces, like Hoyt Gamble, and the members express their profound gratitude to him for his celebrated career. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, recognize and honor Chief Master Sergeant Hoyt Gamble, Jr., for his illustrious service in the United States Air Force, and applaud his distinguished career.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Chief Master Sergeant Hoyt Gamble, Jr.

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