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A house RESOLUTION

TO EXPRESS THE PROFOUND SORROW OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES UPON THE PASSING OF Thomas Lynn “Tom” Bailey, Sr., of Anderson COUNTY, TO HONOR HIS REMARKABLE COMMITMENT TO conservation and to the efforts of PalmettoPride, and to EXTEND THEIR DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO HIS LOVING FAMILY AND HIS MANY FRIENDS.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives were saddened to learn of the death of Thomas Lynn “Tom” Bailey, Sr., at the age of eighty-one on February 26, 2024; and

Whereas, born on April 27, 1942, Mr. Bailey served in the United States Army from 1961 to 1963 and received the Army Commendation Medal in the proud tradition of the sons of South Carolina; and

Whereas, he moved to the Upstate in 1971 where he opened his first Mr. Mattress store, a family-run business that continues to thrive. He was a dedicated businessman and community leader who led with integrity and fiscal responsibility; and

Whereas, Mr. Bailey was a founding and faithful member of Marathon Church in Powdersville and a founding member of the Biker Ministry at Marathon Church; and

Whereas, Mr. Bailey was a conservationist and spent much time at his property in Union County, and he served as chairman of the PalmettoPride board of directors from 2008 to 2023. During his fifteen‑year tenure as chairman, the organization saw tremendous growth in programs and milestones in preserving South Carolina’s natural beauty; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives are deeply grateful for the life and legacy of Tom Bailey and for the example of service and kindness he set in his family, in his business, in his faith, and for all who knew him. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, express their profound sorrow upon the passing of Thomas Lynn “Tom” Bailey, Sr., of Anderson County, honor his remarkable commitment to conservation and to the efforts of PalmettoPride, and extend their deepest sympathy to his loving family and his many friends.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Thomas Lynn “Tom” Bailey.

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