

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
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WHEREAS, Solomons Home officially opened its doors with a dedication ceremony on September 15, 1962, fulfilling the vision of the late Maude C. Solomons who died in 1951 at the age of 88; and

WHEREAS, Maude Solomons was the daughter of Augustus A. and Kate C. Solomons whose grand home was situated on several acres on North Main Street at the current site of the Sumter County Courthouse; and

WHEREAS, as the last surviving child of her parents, Maude lived the last years of her life in Tuomey Hospital—not for medical treatment, but due to the lack of any other suitable living facility in the community for a person of advanced age; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Solomons believed that the elderly of the community deserved a better alternative, and in 1947 she amended her will directing her trustees to use the bulk of her estate to establish a home in Sumter to be known as the “Solomons Home for the Aged” as a memorial to her parents; and

WHEREAS, Solomons Home is currently located on four acres of land located at 620 North Guignard Drive, which was purchased from the City of Sumter in 1961 for \$3,000; and

WHEREAS, today Solomons Home is a thriving independent living facility for the elderly with a full capacity of 22 residents; and

WHEREAS, Solomons Home has provided an excellent independent living facility for the elderly for 50 years and deserves special recognition for providing this wonderful and vital service to the Sumter community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT I, Joseph T. McElveen, Jr., Mayor of the City of Sumter, do hereby proclaim *Thursday, September 13, 2012 as*

"SOLOMONS HOME DAY"
in the
CITY OF SUMTER

and hereby urge all citizens to join me in congratulating and showing appreciation to the Management and Staff of Solomons Home for 50 years of outstanding service to the Sumter community.

Joseph T. McElveen, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

Linda D. Hammett, City Clerk

