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A house RESOLUTION

to recognize and honor Daere Afonya-a Akobo for his relentless use and pursuit of strong business principles in the energy sector in Nigeria and throughout Africa to benefit the continent’s economic development and for his successful philanthropic efforts.

Whereas, the South Carolina House of Representatives is pleased to learn that Daere Afonya-a Akobo will be attending the 12th African Leadership African Persons of the Year Awards Ceremony in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from March 14 to 15, 2024; and

Whereas, born in Port Harcourt, Rivers State, he is a notable figure in Nigeria's business landscape who has made significant contributions to the energy sector of Nigeria and of Africa at large; and

Whereas, Mr. Akobo has established himself as a prominent entrepreneur, business mentor, and philanthropist who has played a pivotal role in the development of the oil and gas industry in Sub-Saharan Africa through his ventures, such as PE Energy, Ltd., and Synergy E&P, Ltd.; and

Whereas, his expertise in flow metering, instrumentation, and control has propelled him to excel in this sector, while his leadership has diversified business interests into promising areas, such as power and water technology; and

Whereas, Mr. Akobo has demonstrated that his influence extends beyond his business ventures through the philanthropic efforts of the Daere Afonya-a Akobo Foundation (DAAF),

Whereas, because he has dedicated himself to giving back to the community and supporting the less privileged, his mantra, "A dream without a deadline is a nightmare," emphasizes his relentless pursuit of goals and his ability to overcome challenges to reach those goals with grace and determination; and

Whereas, Mr. Akobo’s strong focus on empowerment, innovation, and excellence have enabled him to be a driving force in shaping the energy sector of Nigeria and contributing to the economic development of the continent. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, recognize and honor Daere Afonya-a Akobo for his relentless use and pursuit of strong business principles in the energy sector in Nigeria and throughout Africa to benefit the continent’s economic development and for his successful philanthropic efforts.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Daere Afonya-a Akobo.

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