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A concurrent RESOLUTION

TO REQUEST THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME the section of Cultra Road from US 701 North (Main Street) to the intersection of Cultra Road and Oak Street IN Horry COUNTY “James Odell Cochran road” AND ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS AT THIS LOCATION CONTAINING THE DESIGNATION.

Whereas, Lieutenant James Odell Cochran served the City of Conway for a total of twenty-five years before retiring in January 2003. He returned to the city later in 2003 and worked an additional thirteen years in a community service capacity before completing service officially in 2016; and

Whereas, Lieutenant Cochran then quickly rose within the ranks of the police department, being promoted to Corporal, Sergeant, and finally to Lieutenant for the remainder of his career; and

Whereas, Lieutenant Cochran made generous sacrifices to both the citizens and his fellow coworkers as well. In addition to his faithful service in law enforcement, he also served his community in an entrepreneurship role, building great rapport and, more importantly, helping those in need; and

Whereas, during his years of law enforcement service, Lieutenant Cochran also served the board of the Housing Authority of Conway. He gave insight on ways to make communities safer and develop the relationships between officers and the community; and

Whereas, Lieutenant Cochran’s service to humanity, family, and friends was tragically cut short on March 5, 2020. His legacy of love and service lives on within the City of Conway and surrounding areas; and

Whereas, the first major indication of Lieutenant Cochran’s enduring legacy was the unveiling of the police department’s Odell Cochran Downtown Operations Center, which was completed in March 2021. The opening was to commemorate the first anniversary of his passing; and

Whereas, it would be only fitting and proper to pay tribute to this son of South Carolina by naming a portion of road in the State in his honor. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring:

That the members of the South Carolina General Assembly, by this resolution, request that the Department of Transportation name the section of Cultra Road from US 701 North (Main Street) to the intersection of Cultra Road and Oak Street in Horry County “James Odell Cochran Road” and erect appropriate markers or signs at this location containing the designation.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Department of Transportation and presented to the family of Lieutenant James Odell Cochran.

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