**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR CORPORAL BRIAN TRUEX OF THE MYRTLE BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE TO THE FORCE AND TO HIS SURROUNDING COMMUNITY, AND TO CONGRATULATE HIM FOR BEING NAMED THE MYRTLE BEACH ROTARY CLUB 2010 “OFFICER JOE MCGARRY MEMORIAL POLICE OFFICER OF THE YEAR.”

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives are pleased to learn that Corporal Brian Truex has been selected as the Myrtle Beach Rotary Club “Officer Joe McGarry Memorial Police Officer of the Year” for 2010; and

Whereas, in his nine years with the Myrtle Beach Police Department, Corporal Truex distinguished himself as an outstanding police officer and member of the community, being named Myrtle Beach Police Employee of the Year in 2009; and

Whereas, he earned a degree in sociology cum laude from Coastal Carolina University and made his mark as a road officer, learning the complexities of the traffic division and excelling in supervisory skills to the benefit of both the department and employees; and

Whereas, when assigned to the street crimes section, he maintained a difficult caseload with a positive impact on officers he supervised and impressive case results, including thirty‑two high court cases, four of which involved cocaine trafficking; and

Whereas, temporarily putting his own promotion opportunities aside, Corporal Truex volunteered when the department needed someone with specialized computer skills to assist in the implementation of and transition to a new operation system; and

Whereas, he built the background of the system, wrote training materials, taught classes department wide, and placed himself on call to troubleshoot problems, supervising and performing administrative duties over the entire telecommunications function and four detention shifts, which both run all day, every day; and

Whereas, he met every challenge with a positive attitude and has become a back‑up administrator for the new system, a significant assistance to the department’s information technology; and

Whereas, in 2010, Corporal Truex received the Distinguished Service Award for his outstanding work as the assistant coordinator for the 15th Circuit Law Enforcement Network; and

Whereas, currently he serves the department in support services, oversees the operation of the jail, dispatch, property and evidence, and records, and has responsibility for sixty personnel; and

Whereas, his projects have increased morale, such as building a wall in the photo ID room to improve the flow of the inmate ID process, painting the dispatch room, and enclosing an area in the department to handle overcrowding of bulk inmate property; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives express their gratitude to Corporal Brian Truex for his dedicated service in protecting the citizens of Horry County and the State of South Carolina, and congratulate him on his receipt of this well‑deserved award. 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 Corporal Brian Truex of the Myrtle Beach Police Department for outstanding leadership and service to the force and to his surrounding community, and congratulate him for being named the Myrtle Beach Rotary Club 2010 “Officer Joe McGarry Memorial Police Officer of the Year.”

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Corporal Brian Truex.

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