**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO HONOR BROADUS JAMES JAMERSON III OF ORANGEBURG COUNTY, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA STATE EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION, UPON HIS RETIREMENT, TO THANK HIM FOR HIS MORE THAN THIRTY YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE ASSOCIATION, AND TO WISH HIM MUCH FULFILLMENT AND SUCCESS IN ALL HIS FUTURE ENDEAVORS.

Whereas, having served his State with excellence for many years, Broadus James Jamerson III of Orangeburg County will soon be retiring from his post as executive director of the South Carolina State Employees Association; and

Whereas, Mr. Jamerson, the son of Broadus James Jamerson, Jr., and Lillie Mae Evans Jamerson Limehouse, was born in Orangeburg on March 4, 1944. He received his earliest education in Orangeburg and later attended high school at St. Emma Military Academy in Powhatan, Virginia; and

Whereas, upon graduation from high school, the young Broadus enrolled at South Carolina State College, where he completed his bachelor’s degree in 1968, his master’s degree in vocational rehabilitation counseling in 1977, and his master’s degree in counseling education in 1978; and

Whereas, following his graduation from South Carolina State College, Broadus Jamerson was commissioned as a second lieutenant (ROTC) and initially stationed at Fort Gordon, Georgia. Additional military assignments included Fort Jackson, Korea, Granada, and Saudi Arabia. He retired as a lieutenant colonel in 1996 with the United States Army Reserve after more than twenty‑eight years of service; and

Whereas, his active military service completed, Mr. Jamerson joined the South Carolina Attorney General’s Child Support Division in 1976. In 1979, he accepted a post with the South Carolina State Employees Association; and

Whereas, Mr. Jamerson served as the director of membership & services until March 2000, when he was promoted to executive director. During his tenure with the South Carolina State Employees Association, he was instrumental in raising membership to more than twenty‑two thousand, in developing the association’s chapter affiliation in every county of the State, and in growing annual statewide State House visits to promote issues concerning state employees and retirees. He was also highly successful in representing state employees in the state grievance system and was a tireless advocate for state employees’ and retirees’ pay and benefits; and

Whereas, a man of faith, Mr. Jamerson is an active member and deacon at Mount Pisgah Baptist Church in Orangeburg. There, he serves with the Men’s Ministry, Leadership Ministry, Church Anniversary Committee, Capital Stewardship Campaign’s Buy A Brick Project, Ward III, Senior Adult Ministry, and Human Resource Ministry. He is also a former member of the Male Chorus; and

Whereas, believing strongly in active participation in the community, Broadus Jamerson has been affiliated with numerous organizations, among them Sigma Pi Phi Fraternity, Edisto Lodge No. 39 of the Free and Accepted Masons, NAACP, VFW Post 8166, Optimist Club, Regional Medical Center Public Relations Board, Orangeburg School District V Volunteer Committee, and the South Carolina Deferred Compensation Commission; and

Whereas, Broadus Jamerson, well able to recognize a good thing when he sees it, married the former Brenda Joyce Thompson of Marion and with her parented two lovely daughters, Rachelle Jamerson Holmes and Pamela Jamerson Dawson, both of Orangeburg. The elder Jamersons are proud grandparents of Dy’kari Armand and Darian Jamerson Dawson; and

Whereas, having earned the respect of all those who have had the privilege of working with him, Broadus Jamerson will be remembered with affection and gratitude by colleagues and legislative friends for years to come. The General Assembly trusts Mr. Jamerson will find great pleasure in the more relaxing pace of the days ahead. 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, honor Broadus James Jamerson III of Orangeburg County, Executive Director of the South Carolina State Employees Association, upon his retirement, thank him for his more than thirty years of dedicated service to the association, and wish him much fulfillment and success in all his future endeavors.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to Broadus Jamerson.

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