**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO REQUEST THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME THE INTERSECTION LOCATED AT THE JUNCTURE OF UNITED STATES HIGHWAY 15 AND UNITED STATES HIGHWAY 301 IN ORANGEBURG COUNTY “SCHP PATROLMAN HARRY B. RAY MEMORIAL INTERSECTION” AND ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS AT THIS INTERSECTION THAT CONTAIN THE WORDS “SCHP PATROLMAN HARRY B. RAY MEMORIAL INTERSECTION”.

Whereas, on September 7, 1958, Patrolman Harry B. Ray was on duty in Orangeburg County near the Town of Santee when he pulled over a vehicle for speeding; and

Whereas, Patrolman Ray was unaware that the occupants of the vehicle had committed an armed robbery and were fleeing the scene of the crime when they were stopped. The suspects shot Patrolman Ray eight times and he tragically lost his life; and

Whereas, two of the assailants were sentenced to death and executed for this crime, while a third assailant served a ten-year prison sentence; and

Whereas, Patrolman Ray was a native of Spartanburg County, an eleven year veteran of the patrol, and a United States Navy Veteran; and

Whereas, he is survived by his wife JoAnn M. Duncan and three children: Bonita E. Lee, Harry B. Ray Jr., and Jodi V. Ray; and

Whereas, it would be fitting and proper to memorialize Patrolman Harry B. Ray by naming a highway intersection in his honor. Now, therefore,

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

That the members of the General Assembly request that the Department of Transportation name the intersection located at the juncture of United States Highway 15 and United States Highway 301 in Orangeburg County “SCHP Patrolman Harry B. Ray Memorial Intersection” and erect appropriate markers or signs at this intersection that contain the words “SCHP Patrolman Harry B. Ray Memorial Intersection”.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Department of Transportation.

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