**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO EXPRESS THE PROFOUND SORROW OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA SENATE UPON THE DEATH OF LIEUTENANT LARRY GENE ELLIOTT OF BRUNSON AND TO EXTEND THE DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO HIS FAMILY AND MANY FRIENDS.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina Senate were deeply saddened to learn of the death of Lieutenant Larry Gene Elliott of Brunson on December 21, 2012; and

Whereas, born the son of Haywood and Kathleen Shelly Elliott on August 2, 1953, Larry Gene Elliott was a native of Nichols; and

Whereas, in preparation for his life’s work, the young Larry graduated from Loris High School in 1971 and the Patrol Academy in 1975. After thirty‑five years of service with the South Carolina Highway Patrol, he retired with the rank of lieutenant in 2007; and

Whereas, well respected by his peers, Lieutenant Elliott spent many hours helping support worthy causes. The Buck‑A‑Cup “Ride” was a brainchild of then Sergeant Elliott and Lieutenant Charlie Carlson of Allendale County. Held in 2000, the first ride attracted sponsors such as SCANA, Palmetto Electric, Piggly Wiggly, law offices, and golf clubs and raised sixteen hundred dollars, all of which was donated to Easter Seals. The ride was held again in 2001 and raised even more. In 2001, the Buck‑A‑Cup to Brace‑A‑Child campaign recognized Larry Elliott as the top fundraiser for the state program; and

Whereas, throughout his career, Lieutenant Elliott received many certificates of recognition for leadership. In 1998, for example, he demonstrated that leadership ability when he saw the need for Hampton County troopers to have radios with local channels. With Larry Elliott’s encouragement, Representative Bill Bowers appropriated funds to provide “walkies” to Hampton County troopers, enabling them to communicate with Hampton, Allendale, and Bamberg law enforcement personnel. The improved communication and faster local backup were a great advantage to all personnel; and

Whereas, known for his love of working in the yard, attending a monthly breakfast with retired law enforcement friends, and riding his Harley‑Davidson, Larry Elliott also had a special place in his heart for animals; and

Whereas, Lieutenant Elliott leaves to cherish his memory his beloved wife, Rose Dobson‑Elliott; a son, Chad Elliott; a daughter, Summer Elliott Johnson; six grandchildren; two step‑daughters; four step‑grandchildren; and a host of friends. He will be missed. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, express their profound sorrow upon the death of Larry Gene Elliott of Brunson and extend the deepest sympathy to his family and many friends.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to Mrs. Rose Dobson‑Elliott for the family.

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