**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO REQUEST THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME THE PORTION OF THE CHERAW HIGHWAY IN MARLBORO COUNTY FROM ITS INTERSECTION WITH WEST MAIN STREET IN THE CITY OF BENNETTSVILLE TO ITS INTERSECTION WITH THE MARLBORO/CHESTERFIELD COUNTY LINE THE “JAMES S. ‘JIMMY’ MCLEOD, SR. MEMORIAL HIGHWAY” AND ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS ALONG THIS PORTION OF HIGHWAY THAT CONTAIN THIS DESIGNATION.

Whereas, Mr. James Stevens McLeod, Sr., was born on October 14, 1939, the son of the late James Phillip McLeod and Leah Morris Worrell and died on July 27, 2011; and

Whereas, he was a graduate of Eckels College of Mortuary Science in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; and

Whereas, Mr. McLeod and his late wife Shirley Jean Jeffries were the proud parents of four children; and

Whereas, he served his country with great distinction and honor as a member of the United States Army; and

Whereas, from 1964 to 1972, Mr. McLeod managed Morris Funeral Home of Bennettsville which was founded by his grandfather in 1914. He served as owner of this family business from 1972 to 2011; and

Whereas, Mr. McLeod served on the Marlboro County Board of Social Services in 1968, and was elected to and served two terms on the Bennettsville City Council. He was the first African American since Reconstruction to serve in each of these capacities; and

Whereas, he served as an appointed member of the South Carolina Railways Commission from 1985 to 1990 and as a member of the Carolina Bank Board of Trustees from 1984 to 2011; and

Whereas, Mr. McLeod was a faithful member of Shiloh Baptist Church where he served as a trustee; and

Whereas, it would be fitting and proper to recognize the great accomplishments of this son of South Carolina by having a portion of the Cheraw Highway named in his honor. Now, therefore,

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

That the members of the General Assembly request that the Department of Transportation name the portion of the Cheraw Highway in Marlboro County from its intersection with West Main Street in the City of Bennettsville to its intersection with the Marlboro/Chesterfield County line the “James S. ‘Jimmy’ McLeod, Sr. Memorial Highway” and erect appropriate markers or signs along this portion of highway that contain this designation.

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

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