**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO EXPRESS THE PROFOUND SORROW OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES UPON THE DEATH OF ANTHONY MANIGAULT HURLEY OF COLUMBIA AND TO EXTEND THE DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO HIS FAMILY AND MANY FRIENDS.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives were deeply saddened to learn of the death of Anthony Manigault Hurley of Columbia on January 10, 2015, at the venerable age of seventy‑nine; and

Whereas, Anthony Manigault Hurley, the only child of the late Anna May Manigault Hurley and Anthony Sauer Hurley, was born in Columbia on September 9, 1935. He had a love of planes and flying, and a family friend taught the young man to fly at Owens Field. Tony’s grandparents built a swimming pool for him and his friends to enjoy and it is reported to be one of the first private swimming pools owned by African Americans in Columbia; and

Whereas, in preparation for his life’s work, Tony graduated from Palmer Memorial Institute, an African‑American boarding school in Sedalia, North Carolina; Morehouse College; and the Cincinnati College of Embalming. A veteran of the U.S. Army, he actively served from 1958 to 1960 and continued in the Reserves until 1964. After honorable discharge from active duty, Tony joined his mother and grandmother in the family’s business, Manigault‑Hurley Funeral Home. He served as owner and manager from 1960 until his failing health forced his retirement and the closing of the funeral home on March 15, 2014; and

Whereas, although their paths crossed when they attended Palmer Memorial Institute, Tony and his wife, Alice, did not marry until 1961. Together, they traveled all over the world and enjoyed many summers at their lake house, entertaining family and friends; and

Whereas, a consummate provider and the most devoted, loving, and doting father, Tony sacrificed to make certain his family had everything they needed and more. It was important to him that his children were properly educated, well traveled, and exposed to life’s greatest opportunities. He made his children work at the funeral home from the time they could walk and talk, and he instilled in them respect for others, a sense of responsibility, and gratitude for their blessings; and

Whereas, he loved horses and all forms of water and boating. He taught his children to ride horses, drive boats, water ski, sail, “read the sky,” and navigate Lake Murray; and

Whereas, as an ardent supporter of civic, church, and community affairs, in 1964 he made a bid for the South Carolina House of Representatives. In 1967, he and Alice founded the Columbia Urban League. He was a long‑time member of St. Luke’s Episcopal Church, where he served on the vestry. Through the years, Tony also served on various boards, among them the Columbia Men’s League and Richland County Citizens’ Committee. He was a life member of the NAACP; and

Whereas, he was also the recipient of numerous awards and recognitions, most notably the Order of the Palmetto, South Carolina’s highest civilian award. Of all Tony’s accomplishments, he was proudest of his children; and

Whereas, Tony Hurley leaves to cherish his memory his loving wife of fifty‑three years, Alice Wyche Hurley; his children, Anthony (Tony), Brian, Kelly, and Michelle and their families; eight grandchildren; one great‑grandson; and a host of other relatives, long‑time friends, and the staff of Manigault‑Hurley Funeral Home. He will be missed. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, express their profound sorrow upon the death of Anthony Manigault Hurley of Columbia 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. Alice Wyche Hurley for the family.

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