**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO REQUEST THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME THE INTERSECTION LOCATED AT THE JUNCTION OF UNITED STATES HIGHWAY 1, CHARTER OAK ROAD, AND PISGAH CHURCH ROAD IN LEXINGTON COUNTY “SERGEANT JOHN DAVID MEADOR II INTERSECTION” AND ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS AT THIS INTERSECTION THAT CONTAIN THIS DESIGNATION.

Whereas, with deep appreciation, the members of the South Carolina General Assembly honor, on behalf of all South Carolinians, the great sacrifice that the men and women of the United States Armed Forces make for the ideals of liberty and justice so richly enjoyed in this nation; and

Whereas, on June 20, 2012, at the age of 36, Sergeant John David “J. D.” Meador II gave his life on a crowded market street of Khost, Afghanistan, at the foot of the mountains along the Pakistan border, when a bomber approached Afghan and United States soldiers and detonated the charge during lunch time; and

Whereas, a 1993 state wrestling champion for Lexington High School where he graduated in 1994, J. D. Meador spent time coaching wrestling at White Knoll Middle School and caring deeply for the concerns of his wrestlers; and

Whereas, assigned to the 133rd Military Police Company of the South Carolina National Guard, nicknamed the Palmetto Regulators and based in Timmonsville, Sergeant Meador laid aside his own wood‑working business and answered his country’s call to deploy with one hundred seventy soldiers of his company to Khost Province; and

Whereas, he left behind a loving wife, Christy, three loving daughters, Brianna, Elana, and Olivia, his parents, Sharon and John Meador, and two brothers, James and Michael; and

Whereas, there is no greater or braver sacrifice for a man to make for his country than to lay down his life; and

Whereas, it would be fitting and proper to name an intersection in Lexington County in honor of Sergeant John David Meador II. Now, therefore,

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

That the Department of Transportation name the intersection located at the junction of United States Highway 1, Charter Oak Road, and Pisgah Church Road in Lexington County “Sergeant John David Meador II Intersection” and erect appropriate markers or signs at this intersection 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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