**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO REQUEST THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME THE INTERSECTION AT THE JUNCTION OF DUKE STREET AND HAMAR STREET IN THE CITY OF BEAUFORT “REVEREND IKE INTERSECTION” AND ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS AT THIS LOCATION CONTAINING THIS DESIGNATION.

Whereas, the Reverend Frederick J. Eikerenkoetter II, better known as Reverend Ike, was born in Ridgeland, SC, on June 1, 1935, and died on July 28, 2009, in Los Angeles, CA; and

Whereas, he was the son of a Baptist minister. His mother was a teacher in the one‑room school he attended, a four‑mile‑walk each way from their home; and

Whereas, called to the ministry at age fourteen, he became associate pastor at a local Pentecostal church. He graduated from the American Bible School in Chicago in 1956. Later, he earned a doctorate degree from New York University. He served two years in the Air Force Chaplain Service and formed the United Church of Jesus Christ for All People after returning to Ridgeland. He moved to Boston in 1964 and established the faith‑healing Miracle Temple; and

Whereas, in 1966, Reverend Eikerenkoetter moved to New York City where he established his mega‑ministry, which included churches in Boston, New York, and South Carolina. His Science Living Ministry began with a few but grew to serve millions; and

Whereas, it would be fitting and proper to remember the good works of this son of the Palmetto State by having an intersection in the City of Beaufort 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 the Department of Transportation name the intersection at the junction of Duke Street and Hamar Street in the City of Beaufort “Reverend Ike Intersection” and erect appropriate markers or signs at this location containing this designation.

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

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