**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO HONOR AND COMMEND TROOPER STEVI J. PRICE FOR EARNING THE DISTINCTION OF BEING NAMED TROOPER OF THE YEAR 2017 AND TO EXPRESS GRATITUDE FOR HER UNWAVERING SERVICE TO THE SAFETY OF SOUTH CAROLINA’S CITIZENS.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives find it absolutely proper and appropriate to pause in their deliberations to honor a daughter of the Palmetto State who has been fittingly dubbed Trooper of the Year for 2017; and

Whereas, the first female to be honored with this distinction in the fifty year history of the award, Trooper Stevi J. Price of Post D distinguished herself on a fateful day when the call of duty sounded. On August 12, 2017, Trooper Price, through her heroic efforts, saved a motorist from a burning vehicle; and

Whereas, on route to a collision in Richland County, Trooper Price drove up on a two‑car collision. She stopped to offer assistance as a city officer was forced to leave the scene to pursue a fleeing vehicle. The other vehicle in the collision began smoking heavily. Trooper Price approached to find the passenger unresponsive and stuck. After requesting assistance and the vehicle becoming fully involved with fire, Trooper Price attempted a fire rescue. With the help of Trooper C. M. Flitter and another city officer recently arrived on the scene, Trooper Price was able to free the passenger’s legs that were pinned under the dashboard and to pull her to safety just before the vehicle was overtaken with fire; and

Whereas, Trooper Price is consistently praised by the public, her supervisors, and peers on her professionalism and demeanor as a Trooper; and

Whereas, in addition to earning Trooper of the Year, Trooper Price was recognized with the Director’s Medal of Valor Award for her tremendous bravery and determination in preserving life; and

Whereas, the members of the House of Representatives of the Palmetto State thank Trooper Price for her commitment to the safety of the people of South Carolina and all who choose to visit our great State and wish her continued success in all her future endeavors. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the House of Representatives of South Carolina, by this resolution, honor and commend Trooper Stevi J. Price for earning the distinction of being named Trooper of the Year 2017 and express gratitude for her unwavering service to the safety of South Carolina’s citizens.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Trooper Stevi J. Price.

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