**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO EXPRESS THE PROFOUND SORROW OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES UPON THE PASSING OF ROBERT F. HARLEY, JR., OF IRMO 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 Robert F. Harley, Jr., of Irmo on September 23, 2018, at the age of sixty; and

Whereas, born in Bamberg on March 28, 1958, he was the son of Lucinda B. and Robert F. Harley, Sr.; and

Whereas, a 1976 graduate of Bamberg‑Ehrhardt High School in Bamberg, Robert was a very active and talented student. He enjoyed playing both basketball and baseball, and his love for baseball earned him a scholarship from Grambling State University in Louisiana. Robert was a member of numerous clubs and professional organizations, but his passion for baseball led to his selection as recipient of the Ralph Garr Award, granted to the baseball player with the highest academic average. While at college, he excelled in his major, political science, earning a bachelor’s degree in 1980. After receiving his undergraduate degree, he earned his juris doctor from the North Carolina Central University School of Law in Durham, North Carolina; and

Whereas, in 1986, Robert married the love of his life, Pauline Small, and to this union were born two children, Stephanie and Robert III. Robert and Pauline moved to Irmo and, as people of faith, became members of St. Peter Baptist Church, where Robert served as a member of the board of deacons and as superintendent of the church school. He also served with the hospitality and brotherhood ministries. Deacon Harley was a faithful member, always looking for opportunities to serve others; and

Whereas, Robert was employed with the South Carolina Administrative Law Court, handling hearings related to motor vehicles. In his leisure time, he was the Harley family genealogy research lead and constantly sought history and information for family members; and

Whereas, preceded in death by his father, Robert F. Harley, Sr., he leaves to cherish his memory his loving wife, Elder Pauline Harley; two children, Stephanie Harley of Spartanburg and Robert F. Harley III of Irmo; his mother, Lucinda B. Harley of Bamberg; one sister, Patricia Harley of Bamberg; two brothers, Anthony Cyrus (Monica) Harley and Kenneth Harley, both of Bamberg; two grandchildren, Alicia Haywood and Andrew Howell, both of Spartanburg; and a host of other family members and loving friends. He will be greatly missed by all who had the privilege of knowing him. 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 passing of Robert F. Harley, Jr., of Irmo and extend the deepest sympathy to his family and many friends.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Mrs. Pauline Harley.

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