**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR C. KELLY JACKSON, SOLICITOR FOR THE THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, UPON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE OFFICE OF SOLICITOR, AND TO WISH HIM CONTINUED SUCCESS IN ALL HIS FUTURE ENDEAVORS.

Whereas, the members of the Senate learned with regret that Third Circuit Solicitor C. Kelly Jackson will retire from his post where he has served the citizens of South Carolina with distinction for twelve years; and

Whereas, Kelly Jackson earned a bachelor of science degree from The Citadel in 1982 and received his juris doctorate from the University of South Carolina School of Law in 1990; and

Whereas, before his graduation from law school, Mr. Jackson began his career as the Chief Law Clerk for the Drug Prosecution Program in the Fifth Judicial Circuit. Following graduation, he was appointed as an assistant solicitor with the Fifth Judicial Circuit serving from 1991-93 and was appointed as assistant solicitor from 1993-1998 with the Twelfth Judicial Circuit; and

Whereas, he was first elected as Solicitor for the Third Judicial Circuit in 1999 and was reelected in 2003 and 2007; and

Whereas, he and his lovely wife, Jana, have two fine children, Jack and Caroline, and the Jackson’s are faithful, active members of First Presbyterian Church in Sumter, South Carolina; and

Whereas, Mr. Jackson has also served his state and country with honor and distinction as he was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant through ROTC at The Citadel in 1986, and since 2002 he has held the rank of Major. He was a recipient of the Order of St. Barbara awarded for demonstrating the highest standards of integrity, moral character, competence, and selflessness for service in field artillery. In September 2009, he retired at the rank of Major with twenty-three years of combined service in the United States Army and the South Carolina National Guard; and

Whereas, during his tenure as solicitor he has been a passionate advocate for crime victims and a vigilant protector of the public and has also served the legal community on numerous boards and committees and has been a member of myriad legal and law enforcement associations; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina Senate are grateful for twelve years of distinguished service that C. Kelly Jackson, a native son of the Palmetto State, has given to the Third Judicial Circuit. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, recognize and honor C. Kelly Jackson, solicitor for the Third Judicial Circuit, upon the occasion of his retirement from the Office of Solicitor, and wish him continued success in all his future endeavors.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to C. Kelly Jackson.

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