**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO HONOR LORETTA PRICE, OF LEXINGTON COUNTY, FOR HER OUTSTANDING COMMUNITY SERVICE, AND TO RECOGNIZE AND COMMEND HER AS AN ARTICULATE SPOKESPERSON FOR THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITY DURING THE CELEBRATION OF BLACK HISTORY MONTH.

Whereas, it is with great pleasure that the South Carolina House of Representatives honors individuals who freely give of their time and resources for the good of others; and

Whereas, Loretta Price, of Lexington County, stands high among their number, much admired for her years of unceasing effort to make the Chapin area a better place to live; and

Whereas, born January 3, 1938 in Newberry County, Mrs. Price grew up in Little Mountain. She married Virgil Price, now deceased, and with him raised a fine family of six children, Linda Davis, Pamela Parks, Virgil Randy Price, Ronald Price, Trani Price, and Tony Price, who have given their parents the joy of ten grandchildren; and

Whereas, in the 1940s, her husband started Chapin Drycleaners, the oldest minority‑owned business in Chapin. The entire Price family became thoroughly involved in the Chapin community, with all the children attending Chapin High School; and

Whereas, as part of her active commitment to the Chapin community, Loretta Price is a big supporter and member of the Chapin Chamber of Commerce, and, recognizing the need, she has worked diligently to make Chapin a drug‑free community; and

Whereas, in addition, she has proven a persuasive spokesperson for the African-American community and so has earned yet further respect from her fellow citizens; and

Whereas, for her efforts, her community has inducted Loretta Price into the Chapin Hall of Fame, and Chapin High School will honor her during a Black History Month program on February 27, 2009; and

Whereas, the House of Representatives recognizes that the success of the State of South Carolina, the strength of its communities, and the vitality of American society as a whole depend, in great measure, upon the dedication of individuals like Loretta Price who use their talents and resources to serve others. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, honor Loretta Price, of Lexington County, for her outstanding community service, and recognize and commend her as an articulate spokesperson for the African-American community during the celebration of Black History Month.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Loretta Price.

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