**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO COMMEMORATE THE FIFTEENTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE LINE‑OF‑DUTY DEATH OF MAJOR SPENCER GUERRY, FORMER GEORGETOWN DEPUTY CHIEF OF POLICE, AND TO HONOR HIS LIFE AND SERVICE.

Whereas, on Wednesday, March 9, 1994, Major Spencer Guerry, deputy chief of police of Georgetown, died from a head wound sustained in the line of duty two days earlier when he was gunned down on Highmarket Street in Georgetown; and

Whereas, this thirty‑seven‑year‑old husband and father of two was the first Georgetown police officer to die in the line of duty in nearly a century, and his loss profoundly grieved and shocked the community, where he was highly respected and admired; and

Whereas, to honor his commitment to the people of Georgetown and the ultimate sacrifice he made in the keeping of that commitment, in 2004 the new Georgetown police headquarters, located in the Georgetown Law Enforcement and Municipal Court complex, was named the C. Spencer Guerry Law Enforcement Center; and

Whereas, on Monday, March 9, 2009, the Georgetown Police Department, marking the fifteenth anniversary of Major Guerry’s death, will hold a commemorative breakfast to honor his life and service; and

Whereas, there is no greater or more courageous sacrifice a man can make than to lay down his life for a noble cause, as did Major Guerry. The South Carolina House of Representatives counts it a great privilege to remember Major Guerry, one of the Palmetto State’s finest, and the members with one voice offer their grateful thanks to Almighty God for the service and ultimate sacrifice of this heroic son of South Carolina. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, commemorate the fifteenth anniversary of the line‑of‑duty death of Major Spencer Guerry, former Georgetown deputy chief of police, and honor his life and service.

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

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