**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND COMMEND THE HONORABLE KEITH KELLY OF SPARTANBURG COUNTY FOR HIS DEDICATED SERVICE IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ON BEHALF OF THE CITIZENS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, AND TO WISH HIM MUCH SUCCESS AND HAPPINESS IN ALL HIS FUTURE ENDEAVORS.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives learned with sincere regret that Keith Kelly will depart from the House of Representatives at the conclusion of his current term; and

Whereas, born in Spartanburg to Louise C. Kelly and Ralph D. Kelly, Jr., he earned a bachelor of arts from the University of South Carolina‑Spartanburg in 1981 and a juris doctorate from the Walter F. George School of Law at Mercer University in 1987; and

Whereas, in the patriotic tradition of a Palmetto son, he served in the United States Army from 1981 to 1984 and holds the rank of captain in the United States Army Reserves; and

Whereas, he married his beloved wife, Cindy Jackson Kelly, in 1985, and together they raised three fine children, and he practices law as a partner in the firm of Lister, Flynn & Kelly, P. A.; and

Whereas, an active member of Emma Gray Memorial United Methodist Church, he served as the past chairman of the church trustees and as chairman of finance; and

Whereas, deeply involved in his community, he served as the president of the Woodruff Rotary Club from 1990 to 1991, and he is a member of the Spartanburg County Bar Association, the South Carolina Bar Association, and the South Carolina Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers; and

Whereas, he has faithfully served the citizens of District 35 in the House of Representatives since 2007, during which time he has served on the Judiciary Committee, and since 2009, he has served as the chairman of the Criminal Laws Subcommittee; and

Whereas, in all of his service, he has provided exceptional legal and professional acumen to the great benefit of the people of this State; and

Whereas, the members of the House of Representatives will miss the keen and impassioned service that Keith Kelly, their friend and colleague, has given to the House of Representatives, and hope that he will enjoy deep fulfillment in the years to come. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, recognize and commend the Honorable Keith Kelly of Spartanburg County for his dedicated service in the House of Representatives on behalf of the citizens of South Carolina, and wish him much success and happiness in all his future endeavors.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to the Honorable Keith Kelly.

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