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**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND COMMEND THE HONORABLE RICHARD WOODRUFF CHEWNING III, FAMILY COURT JUDGE FOR THE ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, UPON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE BENCH, AND TO WISH HIM CONTINUED SUCCESS AND HAPPINESS IN ALL HIS FUTURE ENDEAVORS.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina Senate have learned that the Honorable Richard Woodruff Chewning III will begin a well‑deserved retirement after forty years of faithful and outstanding service to the citizens of the Palmetto State, the past thirty‑six years as a judge; and

Whereas, born February 12, 1942, in Columbia, Richard Chewning is the devoted husband of the former Dee Dee Davis (fifty years this September), proud father of Andrea L. Chewning and Richard Woodruff Chewning IV, and delighted grandfather of Richard Woodruff Chewning V, Daniel Woodruff Hurley, and Mason Payne Chewning; and

Whereas, in preparation for his life’s work, he earned a bachelor’s degree in business administration and accounting at Newberry College in 1964, followed by graduation from the University of South Carolina School of Law in 1972; and

Whereas, from 1972 to 1974, he practiced law with Kennedy and Price of Columbia, after which he practiced in his own law firm from 1974 to 1976. Subsequently, Richard Chewning became founding partner of Setzler, Chewning, Scott and worked with the firm from 1976 to 1994; and

Whereas, in 1976, he began his long service on the bench when he took up his duties as a judge for the City of Cayce, in which position he served from 1976 to 1994. In 1994, Judge Chewning was elected family court judge for the Eleventh Judicial Circuit, where he has served with distinction since that time; and

Whereas, Judge Chewning believes strongly in active community participation, and he demonstrates that conviction through various community activities. He is a member of the Lexington Bar Association (former president) and South Carolina Bar Association, as well as a member of many civic organizations; and

Whereas, a man of faith, he finds his spiritual strength through membership at Shiloh United Methodist Church, where he has served as chair of both the church council and board of trustees, among other offices. He currently teaches Sunday School, sings in the chancel choir, and is secretary of United Methodist Men; and

Whereas, the South Carolina Senate is grateful for the legacy of leadership Judge Chewning has bestowed on this great State and appreciates the long and enduring guidance he has given to the citizens of South Carolina. The members take great pleasure in wishing him well as he enters retirement and trusts he will find much enjoyment in the more leisurely pace of the days ahead. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, recognize and commend the Honorable Richard Woodruff Chewning III, family court judge for the Eleventh Judicial Circuit, upon the occasion of his retirement from the bench, and wish him continued success and happiness in all his future endeavors.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to the Honorable Richard Woodruff Chewning III.

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