**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO EXPRESS THE SINCERE GRATITUDE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA SENATE TO MR. LEWIS W. PATE FOR HIS MANY YEARS OF SERVICE TO HIS LOCAL COMMUNITY AND THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA UPON RETIRING AS MAYOR OF COWARD, SOUTH CAROLINA, AND TO WISH HIM MANY YEARS OF CONTINUED HAPPINESS.

Whereas, it is with great pleasure that we recognize South Carolinians for their commitments to improving their communities and this State; and

Whereas, Mr. Lewis W. Pate began this life of public service as Mayor of Coward, South Carolina in Florence County since 1992; and

Whereas, Mayor Pate further served his community with two terms on Council; and

Whereas, this public role as Mayor of Coward has personally guaranteed a safer and more prosperous lifestyle for the residents of Coward; and

Whereas, he was born in Coward on November 9, 1949; and

Whereas, he also is a farmer and is married to Cathy H. Pate and together they have one son, Joshua, a daughter‑in‑law, Jessica, and one grandson, Josh; and

Whereas, Mayor Pate will retire with the respect and admiration of all of the people who have had the pleasure of working with him during his long and distinguished career in public service. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the Senate, by this resolution, express their sincere gratitude to Mr. Lewis W. Pate for his many years of service to his local community and the State of South Carolina upon retiring as Mayor of Coward, South Carolina, and to wish him many years of continued happiness.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Mr. Lewis W. Pate.

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