**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR MAYOR DAVID EDWARD STOUDENMIRE, JR., OF HORRY COUNTY FOR TWENTY YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE AS MAYOR OF LORIS, AND TO WISH HIM MANY MORE YEARS OF FULFILLMENT AND SUCCESS.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina Senate have learned with profound gratitude that Mayor David Edward Stoudenmire, Jr., has served the city of Loris for twenty years as its chief executive; and

Whereas, born in 1958, David Edward Stoudenmire, Jr., entered this world the son of Edward and Mamie R. Stoudenmire of Sumter; and

Whereas, in preparation for his life’s work, the young David earned a bachelor’s degree in plant science (ornamental horticulture) from Clemson University, followed in 1988 by a master’s in educational administration (secondary education) at the University of South Carolina; and

Whereas, he began his teaching career in 1981 as horticultural instructor with the Horry County Schools at Finklea Career Center, becoming in the late 1980s job‑placement coordinator, assistant principal, and then principal at his school. He was next appointed principal of his district’s new Academy for Technology and Academics. At this time, he has served the students of Horry County for almost thirty‑one years; and

Whereas, active in several professional organizations, Mayor Stoudenmire is a member of the South Carolina Association for Career and Technical Education and the Horry County Education Association (past president). Representing the Waccamaw region, he has also served a three‑year term on the board of the Municipal Association of South Carolina; and

Whereas, a man of faith, he is a member of Loris First United Methodist Church and has served there on many boards as both member and chair. He is presently serving on the administrative board; and

Whereas, since 1988, David Edward Stoudenmire, Jr., has been active in municipal government. He was first elected to the Loris City Council in 1987, serving one term from 1988 to 1991. He first ran for mayor in 1991 and is now serving his sixth term, having completed twenty years of service as Loris’s chief executive; and

Whereas, away from the demands of the office, Mayor Stoudenmire is a member of the Loris Civitan Club (past president), Loris Garden Club (first male ever elected president of a local garden club in the Palmetto State), and the Loris Music and Literary Club; and

Whereas, the Senate salutes Mayor Stoudenmire for the impact his years of service to his community and State has had on our citizens, and the members express their sincere wishes for continued success in all his future endeavors. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, recognize and honor Mayor David Edward Stoudenmire, Jr., of Horry County for twenty years of dedicated service as mayor of Loris, and wish him many more years of fulfillment and success.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to Mayor David Edward Stoudenmire, Jr.

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