COMMITTEE REPORT

May 24, 2012

**S. 1538**

Introduced by Senators Williams and Leatherman

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**THE COMMITTEE ON**

**INVITATIONS AND MEMORIAL RESOLUTIONS**

To whom was referred a Concurrent Resolution (S. 1538) to request the Department of Natural Resources name the Black Creek Boat Landing, on Highway 327 in Florence County as “James R. Harwell Landing”, and to install, etc., respectfully

**REPORT:**

That they have duly and carefully considered the same and recommend that the same do pass:

LISTON D. BARFIELD for Committee.

**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO REQUEST THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES NAME THE BLACK CREEK BOAT LANDING, ON HIGHWAY 327 IN FLORENCE COUNTY AS “JAMES R. HARWELL LANDING”, AND TO INSTALL APPROPRIATE SIGNS CONTAINING “JAMES R. HARWELL LANDING” ON THE PROPERTY.

Whereas, James R. Harwell served on the Florence Soil and Water Conservation District as a commissioner from February 11, 1969, to May 1, 1993; and

Whereas, he began overseeing the family farm in 1960, and formed and still operates Mars Bluff Seed Company that he built in 1970; and

Whereas, due to his understanding of the value of our natural resources, he has installed many conservation practices on his farm. His farming operation is an example of the value of conservation from crop rotations and grazing management to his constructed wetlands project; and

Whereas, he served on Florence County Council from September 3, 1974, until May 4, 1993. He served as chairman in 1989 during which the county jail and civic center projects were introduced; and

Whereas, during his tenure on County Council, he served on many of its standing committees including Administration and Finance and was appointed Chair of the Public Service and County Planning Committee in September 1988. He became a magistrate on May 21, 1993; and

Whereas, the members of the General Assembly believe it would be a fitting tribute to this outstanding South Carolinian who has done so much for Florence County and our State if the Black Creek Boat Landing on Highway 327 in Florence County was named in his honor. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring:

That the members of the General Assembly request the Department of Natural Resources name the Black Creek Boat Landing on Highway 327 in Florence County as “James R. Harwell Landing”, and to install appropriate signs containing “James R. Harwell Landing” on the property.

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

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