**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO HONOR AND COMMEND THE HONORABLE DON SAYLOR, FORMER CHAIRMAN OF THE NEWBERRY COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD, FOR THE REMARKABLE VISION, LEADERSHIP, AND ACHIEVEMENTS WHICH CHARACTERIZED HIS NEARLY FOUR YEARS OF SERVICE AS SCHOOL BOARD CHAIRMAN AND HIS TEN YEARS AS A SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER.

Whereas, the Honorable Don Saylor served as Chairman of the Newberry County School Board from January 2007 to November 2010, a period of almost four years during which, under Chairman Saylor’s dedicated, distinguished, and highly effective leadership, the public school facilities in Newberry County made tremendous advances due to a highly successful construction program, and

Whereas, Don Saylor served for almost ten and one‑half years, from July of 2002 to November of 2010, as a hard working, dedicated, and enlightened school board trustee, and

Whereas, during Trustee Saylor’s tenure as school board member, the School District of Newberry County pursued a series of creative solutions to the visible need for better public school facilities, resulting in a host of handsome new and improved school buildings in Newberry County; and

Whereas, these projects have created a renaissance in public school buildings and include, in Newberry, the preservation of the former Newberry High School building and its rehabilitation, renovation, and conversion into the Newberry Elementary School, the rehabilitation and renovation of Boundary Street Elementary School, and the construction of the new Gallman Elementary School; and

Whereas, in addition, the School Board of Newberry County under the leadership of Don Saylor preserved the historic 1906 Little Mountain Elementary School, replicated the exterior appearance of the original building, and constructed additional needed structures on the campus of Little Mountain Elementary School; and

Whereas, the Newberry County School Board with Don Saylor as Chairman constructed an essentially new Pomaria‑Garmany Elementary School, constructed substantial additions to the Whitmire Community School; and made renovations at Silverstreet’s Reuben Elementary School, at Mid‑Carolina Middle School, and at the Newberry County Career Center; and

Whereas, the School Board of Newberry County under the leadership of Chairman Saylor elected to construct an entirely new two story Mid‑Carolina High School, which is a magnificent public high school building and sets the standard by which other new high school buildings are judged. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, honor and commend the Honorable Don Saylor, former Chairman of the Newberry County School Board, for the remarkable vision, leadership, and achievements, which characterized his nearly four years of service as School Board Chairman and his ten years as a school board member.

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

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