**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE STEWART SPINKS OF GREENVILLE COUNTY UPON HIS INDUCTION INTO THE CONVENIENCE INDUSTRY HALL OF FAME AND TO WISH HIM WELL IN ALL HIS FUTURE ENDEAVORS.

Whereas, the South Carolina House of Representatives is pleased to learn that Stewart Spinks of Greenville County has been inducted into the Convenience Industry Hall of Fame; and

Whereas, in preparation for his career, Charleston native Stewart Spinks earned a bachelor’s degree in marketing from the University of Tennessee in 1968; and

Whereas, a born entrepreneur, Mr. Spinks started the Spinx Oil Company in 1972 with a home heating oil delivery company and one gas station in Greenville; and

Whereas, since opening his first store, Mr. Spinks has always strived to “Give Customers What They Want‑‑Faster and Easier!”; and

Whereas, today, the Spinx Company operates more than sixty‑five convenience stores in the Carolinas and employs over seven hundred forty associates through its stores, food operations, and related businesses; and

Whereas, as a leader in his industry, Mr. Spinks is a board member of the National Association of Convenience Stores and has served on its Coca‑Cola Leadership Council. He also serves the industry as board member and committee chairman of the Society of Independent Gasoline Marketers Association; and

Whereas, because he believes strongly in active community involvement, Stewart Spinks serves with various organizations such as the Furman University Board of Trustees and the Palmetto Bank Board of Directors. In addition, he is past chairman of the Greater Greenville Chamber of Commerce and a former board member of the Urban League of the Upstate, Greenville Technical College Foundation, and Boy Scouts of America; and

Whereas, his service with these worthy organizations reflects Mr. Spinks’ philosophy of “giving back,” which has always been a big part of the Spinx culture; and

Whereas, launched in 1987 by *Convenience Store News*, the Convenience Industry Hall of Fame has recognized industry pioneers and innovators from companies of all sizes. The House of Representatives takes great pleasure in recognizing Stewart Spinks as one of the hall of fame’s latest inductees. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, congratulate Stewart Spinks of Greenville County upon his induction into the Convenience Industry Hall of Fame and wish him well in all his future endeavors.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Stewart Spinks.

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