**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND COMMEND THE HONORABLE PAUL L. AGNEW OF ANDERSON COUNTY FOR HIS DEDICATED SERVICE IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ON BEHALF OF THE CITIZENS OF SOUTH CAROLINA AND TO WISH HIM MUCH SUCCESS AND HAPPINESS IN ALL HIS FUTURE ENDEAVORS.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives learned with sincere regret that Paul Agnew will depart from the House of Representatives at the conclusion of his current term; and

Whereas, born in Anderson the son of Harry and the late Frances Agnew, he earned a bachelor’s degree from Erskine College in 1983 and a juris doctorate from the University of South Carolina School of Law in 1986, and he has been a member of the South Carolina Bar Association since 1987 and serves as the president of the Abbeville County Bar Association; and

Whereas, he married his beloved wife, Robyn Roper Agnew, in 1998, and he practices law in Due West when away from his duties in the House of Representatives; and

Whereas, in 1987, he served as a law clerk for the Honorable James E. Moore and as a public defender for Abbeville County from 1989 to 1990. He served as an instructor of government at Erskine College in 1988, 1990, 1992, and 1994 and as an instructor of business in 1989; and

Whereas, a member of Westminster Presbyterian Church, he has served his community on the Abbeville Opera House board of directors, Abbeville County Historical Society, Abbeville County Library Board, Abbeville‑Greenwood Regional Library Board, and in 1992 on the Regional United Way Board of Directors; and

Whereas, using his keen legal mind, he has served as attorney for Habitat for Humanity for Abbeville and McCormick counties since 1998 and as a Guardian ad Litem attorney since 2001; and

Whereas, he is a founding member of the Upper Savannah Land Trust and a member of the Abbeville County Development Board and of the Greater Abbeville Chamber of Commerce; and

Whereas, he has served the students of our State on the Piedmont Technical College Board of Visitors, Erskine College Board of Counselors, and the Erskine College Alumni Board; and

Whereas, he has served on the National Wild Turkey Federation, Ducks Unlimited, and as a member of the Sportsman Caucus; and

Whereas, since 2005, he has faithfully served his constituents and the citizens of District 11 in the House of Representatives, during which time he has served on the Agriculture and the Natural Resources & Environmental Affairs committees, and as the Environmental Affairs II Subcommittee chair. For his outstanding service, he was named the EMS Legislator of Year in 2009; and

Whereas, in all of his service, he has provided keen legal acumen and understanding as well as a love for the environment and the natural resources of the Palmetto State; and

Whereas, the members of the House of Representatives will miss the dedicated and earnest service that Paul Agnew, their friend and colleague, has given to the House of Representatives, and hope that he will enjoy deep fulfillment in the years to come. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, recognize and commend the Honorable Paul L. Agnew of Anderson County for his dedicated service in the House of Representatives on behalf of the citizens of South Carolina, and wish him much success and happiness in all his future endeavors.

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

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