**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR ED BARNES OF LEXINGTON COUNTY, AND TO CONGRATULATE HIM UPON THE OCCASION OF HIS INDUCTION INTO THE NATIONAL BARBER HALL OF FAME.

Whereas, the members of the General Assembly are pleased to learn that Ed Barnes will be officially inducted into the National Barber Hall of Fame, the highest achievement in the barber profession, on September 14, 2011; and

Whereas, from humble roots in Batesburg, Ed Barnes has been a barber for forty‑four years and is the co‑owner of Kings Row which has remained at the same location on Harden Street in Columbia for forty years; and

Whereas, he has served as the chairman of the South Carolina Board of Barber Examiners for twenty years, and in 2003, he was the first South Carolinian elected to serve as president of the National Association of Barber Boards of America; and

Whereas, with a clientele that reads like a Who’s Who in Columbia, he has cut the hair of almost all the state’s governors since Robert McNair, every University of South Carolina head football coach since Paul Dietzel, and many of the university’s presidents; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina General Assembly are grateful for the standard of excellence that Ed Barnes has set in his profession and celebrate his induction into the National Barber Hall of Fame. Now, therefore,

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

That the members of the South Carolina General Assembly, by this resolution, recognize and honor Ed Barnes of Lexington County, and congratulate him upon the occasion of his induction into the National Barber Hall of Fame.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to Ed Barnes.

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