**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR COUNCILMAN FRED E. “TED” PARKER, FORMER MAYOR PRO TEMPORE OF WALTERBORO, UPON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE WALTERBORO CITY COUNCIL AND TO COMMEND HIM FOR HIS MANY YEARS OF FAITHFUL AND DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE CITIZENS OF THE CITY OF WALTERBORO.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina Senate are pleased to learn that Councilman Fred E. “Ted” Parker will begin a much‑deserved retirement on July 12, 2011, after more than thirty years of service on the Walterboro City Council and that he will be honored for his service at a reception surrounded by family and friends at the end of June; and

Whereas, a native son of Walterboro, Ted Parker graduated from Darlington School in Rome, Georgia, and attended Presbyterian College; and

Whereas, he graduated from the Cincinnati College of Mortuary Science and is the past president of Fred Parker Funeral Home, Inc., which is now Parker‑Rhoden Funeral Home, Inc.; and

Whereas, a lifelong member of Bethel Presbyterian Church, he loves the recreational activities so intertwined with his life in the bountiful nature of the Lowcountry: hunting, fishing, and riding his Harley‑Davidson; and

Whereas, he began his service on the Walterboro City Council in February 1981 with a desire to make the City of Walterboro a better place to live, and he has carefully guarded the fiscal health of the city; and

Whereas, he has served as mayor pro tempore of the City of Walterboro and has served the Walterboro City Council on the Joint Railroad Right‑of‑Way Committee, the Airport and Finance Committee, and the Great Swamp Sanctuary Committee; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina Senate are pleased to express their gratitude to Councilman Fred E. “Ted” Parker for his service to the City of Walterboro and particularly for his dedication to the Walterboro City Council over the past three decades. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the Senate of the State of South Carolina, by this resolution, recognize and honor Councilman Fred E. “Ted” Parker, former mayor pro tempore of Walterboro, upon the occasion of his retirement from the Walterboro City Council and commend him for his many years of faithful and dedicated service to the citizens of the City of Walterboro.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Councilman Fred E. “Ted” Parker.

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