**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR JACKIE SWINDLER, CHIEF OF POLICE FOR THE CITY OF NEWBERRY, UPON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT ON JUNE 30, 2014, AFTER ALMOST FOUR DECADES OF OUTSTANDING SERVICE, AND TO WISH HIM CONTINUED SUCCESS AND HAPPINESS IN ALL HIS FUTURE ENDEAVORS.

Whereas, the South Carolina Senate has learned that Police Chief Jackie Swindler will begin a well‑deserved retirement after thirty‑nine years as a highly respected law enforcement officer, the last eleven of which have been as a distinguished and highly‑regarded chief of police for the City of Newberry; and

Whereas, an honor graduate of Newberry College, Jackie Swindler earned a master’s in criminal justice from the University of South Carolina, and he graduated from the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) National Academy, the youngest graduate in its history at the time; and

Whereas, he entered law enforcement as a cadet in 1975 and rose to the rank of chief of police in 1993; and

Whereas, as a leader in the state’s law enforcement community, Chief Swindler served as the president of the South Carolina Police Chiefs Association and of the South Carolina Law Enforcement Officers Association; and

Whereas, he has served as a member of the FBI’s Joint Terrorism Task Force Executive Committee, the State Homeland Security Senior Advisory Council, and the Attorney General’s Human Trafficking Task Force; and

Whereas, a regular instructor at the United States Attorney’s Office, Chief Swindler is also a lead instructor at the Carolina Institute for Community Policing; and

Whereas, he has been honored as the South Carolina Police Officer of the Year and is a recipient of the Newberry Rotary Club’s Lay Person of Year Award and of the prestigious Strom Thurmond Award for Excellence in Law Enforcement; and

Whereas, an elder for Aveleigh Presbyterian Church, he plans to spend many happy hours of retirement with his beloved wife, Sherry, and their two fine sons, Jackson and Joshua; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina Senate are grateful for the years of unparalleled dedication that Chief Swindler has devoted to law enforcement and wish him many years of enjoyment in his well‑earned retirement. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, recognize and honor Jackie Swindler, Chief of Police for the City of Newberry, upon the occasion of his retirement on June 30, 2014, after almost four decades of outstanding service, and wish him continued success and happiness in all his future endeavors.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Police Chief Jackie Swindler.

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