**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND COMMEND LIEUTENANT COLONEL (RETIRED) HAYWOOD M. BAZEMORE, DIRECTOR OF THE BENEDICT COLLEGE CAMPUS POLICE DEPARTMENT, FOR HIS OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE.

Whereas, Lieutenant Colonel (Retired) Haywood M. Bazemore retired from active military duty after serving twenty‑two years. He returned to Columbia from his last duty station in Huntsville, Alabama, where he served as chief, Communications/Visual Information Division, and assistant chief of staff, Information Management, United States Army Space and Strategic Defense Command; and

Whereas, a native of Norfolk, Virginia, he was a distinguished military graduate of Norfolk State University in 1973 with a degree in industrial education technology and was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Army Signal Corps. He holds a master of science degree in human resource management from Golden Gate University in San Francisco and is a graduate of the Army’s Command and General Staff College; and

Whereas, Chief Bazemore, as he is respectfully addressed around the campus of Benedict College, has held a wide variety of commands and staff assignments during his long career, among them battalion executive officer, 277th Quartermaster Battalion, and he served tours in the Southeast Asia and Pacific regions and Saudi Arabia. Additionally, he served as assistant professor of military science at Furman University, with duty at Benedict College; and

Whereas, in 2000, Chief Bazemore took up his duties at Benedict College as deputy director of the Campus Police Department. The staff, faculty, and student body at Benedict College recognized his tenacious efforts as second‑in‑command to maintain safety and order in and around the campus. On November 1, 2001, Deputy Chief Bazemore assumed the acting chief position, performing both command‑position responsibilities. In February 2003, he was appointed chief of the Benedict College Campus Police Department; and

Whereas, since assuming this position at Benedict College, Chief Bazemore has successfully completed Chiefs School training through the South Carolina Department of Criminal Justice Academy Division and Certified Law Enforcement requirements. He has been appointed and commissioned as a state constable by the Governor of the State of South Carolina; and

Whereas, grateful for the consistent commitment and excellence Chief Bazemore has demonstrated in his service to the people of South Carolina, the House takes great pleasure in honoring him and wishing him well as he continues to serve in the years ahead. 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 Lieutenant Colonel (Retired) Haywood M. Bazemore, director of the Benedict College Campus Police Department, for his outstanding leadership and service.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to Chief Haywood Bazemore.

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