COMMITTEE REPORT

May 23, 2013

**S. 711**

Introduced by Senators L. Martin and Alexander

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**THE COMMITTEE ON**

**INVITATIONS AND MEMORIAL RESOLUTIONS**

To whom was referred a Concurrent Resolution (S. 711) to request that the Department of Transportation rename the L.E.C. Road of S-39-90 that begins on South Carolina Highway 8 and ends on McDaniel Avenue, etc., respectfully

**REPORT:**

That they have duly and carefully considered the same and recommend that the same do pass:

**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO REQUEST THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION RENAME THE L.E.C. ROAD OF S-39-90 THAT BEGINS ON SOUTH CAROLINA HIGHWAY 8 AND ENDS ON MCDANIEL AVENUE IN PICKENS, SOUTH CAROLINA, AS THE “C. DAVID STONE ROAD” AND ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS AT THIS ROAD THAT CONTAIN THE WORDS “C. DAVID STONE ROAD”.

Whereas, C. David Stone served as Sheriff of Pickens County for eleven terms, from 1969 until 2012. He served as sheriff longer than any active sheriff in South Carolina and when his tenure ended in December 2012, he was the second longest sitting sheriff in the United States; and

Whereas, Sheriff Stone has an outstanding record of service to the community, as well as to the law enforcement profession. He was Sheriff of the Year in 1975 and 1981, President of the South Carolina Sheriffs’ Association, Secretary/Treasurer of the Board of the Sheriffs’ Association where he served for over twenty-five years, and President of the South Carolina Law Enforcement Officers’ Association from 1991‑1992. Sheriff Stone is a graduate of the FBI National Academy and a recipient of the Strom Thurmond Award for Excellence in Law Enforcement and the Order of the Palmetto; and

Whereas, Sheriff Stone contributes considerable time to community endeavors and volunteer projects such as the Cannon Hospital fitness trail, the local Heart Fund, veterans’ Honor Flights, the and other worthy causes, and he is a Shriner; and

Whereas, Sheriff Stone has been a leader in exemplifying the highest degree of excellence in law enforcement. His office received the Southern Bell Award for Excellence in Law Enforcement, and the award recognized Sheriff Stone for his outstanding cooperation with and assistance to other law enforcement agencies; and

Whereas, Sheriff Stone provided the necessary resources and support to establish a law enforcement Explorer Post to allow local youth the opportunity to “explore” the law enforcement profession in hopes of attracting futurre officers to the profession. To further demonstrate his commitment to education and excellence in the law enforcement profession, he also established a scholarship foundation for sheriff’s office personnel and their children to promote the image, skills, and benefits of law enforcement. To date, the scholarship foundation has awarded over $248,000 in scholarships; and

Whereas, it would be fitting and proper for the members of the General Assembly to forever recognize the many contributions that Sheriff Stone has made to his community by renaming L.E.C. Road in his honor. 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, request that the Department of Transportation rename L.E.C. Road (S‑39‑90) from South Carolina Highway 8 to McDaniel Avenue in Pickens, South Carolina, as “C. David Stone Road” and erect appropriate markers or signs along this road that contain the words “C. David Stone Road”.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Department of Transportation and Mr. C. David Stone.

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