**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE HONORABLE DAVID A. WRIGHT OF LEXINGTON COUNTY, COMMISSIONER FOR THE SECOND CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT ON THE SOUTH CAROLINA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, AND TO COMMEND HIM FOR HIS SERVICE TO THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

Whereas, The Honorable David A. Wright began his formal public service role as a councilman and mayor of the Town of Irmo from 1983 to 1988, and served District 85 in Lexington County as a representative in the South Carolina House of Representatives from 1989 to 1996; and

Whereas while serving in the House of Representatives, The Honorable David Wright was awarded “Legislator of the Year” award from South Carolina Chapter of the National Federation of the Blind, South Carolina School Boards Association, the Irmo Fire District, and the South Carolina Vocational Directors, and received “The Order of the Palmetto”, the state’s highest citizen honor; and

Whereas, on March 3, 2004, The David A. Wright was elected to represent the Second Congressional District as Commissioner on the South Carolina Public Service and currently serves as its Chairman; and

Whereas, Chairman Wright served as president of the eleven‑state Southeastern Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (SEARUC) from 2008 to 2009; and

Whereas, Chairman Wright was elected president of National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) in 2011, becoming the fifth South Carolinian to lead the commission since 1889; and

Whereas during his term, Chairman Wright has honorably served as chairman on a number of national committee, including the NARUC Subcommittee on Nuclear Issues and Waste Disposal, the Nuclear Waste Strategy Coalition, and as national co‑chair of the Yucca Mountain Task Force; and

Whereas, Chairman Wright was appointed to be the NARUC representative on the Advisory Board of Directors of the Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI) in 2010 and serves as a NARUC representative on the Keystone Energy Board; and

Whereas, Chairman Wright has testified on regulatory issues on numerous occasions before standing committees of the United States Congress, as well as before federal agencies, including the Environmental Protection Agency and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission; and

Whereas, a colon cancer survivor and cancer awareness advocate, he often shares his story with others and is a member of the Leadership Council for the Cancer Centers at the University of South Carolina (CCUSC); and

Whereas, Chairman Wright is the devoted husband to his wife, Amy, and the loving father to his four children, Kimberly, Courtney, Austin, and Andrew; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina General Assembly commend The Honorable David A. Wright for his long history of active public service and wish him continued success representing the Palmetto State. 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 The Honorable David A. Wright of Lexington County, commissioner for the Second Congressional District on the South Carolina Public Service Commission, Chairman of the Public Service Commission, and immediate past president of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, and wish him continued success in his future endeavors.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to The Honorable David A. Wright.

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