**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE REVEREND BETTY SUSAN ULMER, PASTOR OF CARTERET STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, UPON THE OCCASION OF HER RETIREMENT AFTER FORTY YEARS OF EXEMPLARY MINISTRY IN THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH AND TO WISH HER CONTINUED SUCCESS AND HAPPINESS IN ALL HER FUTURE ENDEAVORS.

Whereas, it is altogether fitting that the members of the House of Representatives of the State of South Carolina should pause in their deliberations to express their gratitude to The Reverend Susan Ulmer for her significant contributions to ministry in the Palmetto State; and

Whereas, a native of Columbia, she was born on October 19, 1949, to Harry E. and Betty C. Ulmer, and she earned a bachelor’s degree in education from the University of South Carolina and a master of divinity from Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary; and

Whereas, at the 1975 South Carolina United Methodist Annual Conference meeting in Spartanburg at Wofford College, Susan was admitted as an On Trial Member; and

Whereas, from 1977 to 1991, Reverend Ulmer served as an associate pastor at Shandon United Methodist Church in Columbia, and then she served at St. Paul‑Wesley Chapel United Methodist Charge in Calhoun County from 1991 to 1993 and at St. Paul United Methodist Church in St. Matthews from 1993 to 1998; and

Whereas, she served her denomination with enthusiasm as the District Superintendent of the Columbia District of the United Methodist Church from 1998 to 2006; and

Whereas, on June 14, 2006, Reverend Ulmer was appointed to Carteret Street United Methodist Church in Beaufort where she has served the congregation faithfully for nine years; and

Whereas, she has served as a trustee of Epworth Children’s Home, on the South Carolina Board of Ordained Ministry, as the associate secretary of the South Carolina United Methodist Church Annual Conference, and as the secretary of the Bishop’s Cabinet; and

Whereas, she has served on the board of directors of the University of South Carolina Wesley Foundation, the South Carolina Conference Finance and Administration, Harvest Hope Food Bank, and the Orangeburg Methodist Home, called Methodist Oaks; and

Whereas, outside the South Carolina Annual Conference, Reverend Ulmer was elected as a delegate to six Southeastern Jurisdictional conferences and as a delegate to the General Conference of the United Methodist Church; and

Whereas, she plans to spend many happy hours of retirement enjoying biking, water activities, camping, reading, traveling, cooking, and gardening; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives are grateful for the years of dedication that Susan Ulmer has devoted to ministry and wish her many years of enjoyment in her well‑earned retirement. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the House of Representatives of the State of South Carolina, by this resolution, recognize and honor The Reverend Betty Susan Ulmer, pastor of Carteret Street United Methodist Church, upon the occasion of her retirement after forty years of exemplary ministry in the United Methodist Church and wish her continued success and happiness in all her future endeavors.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to The Reverend Betty Susan Ulmer.

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