**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO EXPRESS PROFOUND SORROW UPON THE PASSING OF BENNIE D. BENNETT, SUPERINTENDENT FOR THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF NEWBERRY COUNTY, AND TO EXTEND DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO HIS LOVING FAMILY AND MANY FRIENDS.

Whereas, the South Carolina General Assembly was deeply saddened to learn of the death of Bennie D. Bennett on April 16, 2016; and

Whereas, Bennie Bennett was the superintendent of the Newberry County School District from July 1, 2006, until his untimely passing. The school district made remarkable achievements during his almost ten-year tenure which will become a standard for comparable school districts; and

Whereas, he was a teacher and coach before entering school administration and received many accolades, including the 1998 Fort Mill High School Teacher of the Year; and

Whereas, Bennie Bennett attended Newberry College and graduated from Winthrop University; and

Whereas, he is survived by his beloved wife, Frankie Wright Bennett; a daughter, Brittany Kyla Bennett; a son, Benjamin Kelly Bennett; and a special son, Jabbar Stackston; and

Whereas the South Carolina General Assembly is grateful for his leadership and dedication to Newberry’s citizens. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:

That the members of the South Carolina General Assembly, by this resolution, express profound sorrow upon the passing of Bennie D. Bennett, Superintendent for the School District of Newberry County, and extend deepest sympathy to his loving family and many friends.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Bennie D. Bennett.

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