**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO REQUEST THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES NAME THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES’ FIELD OFFICE LOCATED AT 509 LIBERTY STREET IN BATESBURG‑LEESVILLE “CORPORAL KYLE CARPENTER FIELD OFFICE” AND ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS AT THIS LOCATION THAT CONTAIN THIS DESIGNATION.

Whereas, throughout our nation’s history, men and women in all eras, from Concord and Lexington to Fallujah, have been placed in harm’s way to protect and secure our country’s freedom and way of life; and

Whereas, as a committed serviceman, Corporal Carpenter, the son of Jim and Robin Carpenter of Gilbert, answered the call of his country and left his family and home in Lexington County to serve in Afghanistan as a part of the war on terror; and

Whereas, on November 21, 2010, while serving in Afghanistan, Corporal Carpenter took the full blast from an enemy hand grenade in seeking to save a fellow Marine. He suffered catastrophic wounds for the cause of freedom, losing the sight of his right eye and suffering other injuries that require extensive surgeries and rehabilitation; and

Whereas, there is no greater or more courageous sacrifice a man can make than to risk his life for a noble cause, as Corporal Carpenter has done, and to honor his valor, Lance Corporal Carpenter was presented with the Purple Heart in December 2010 and the Congressional Medal of Honor in 2014; and

Whereas, the members of the General Assembly would like to bestow special recognition upon Kyle Carpenter by having the Department of Motor Vehicles’ name a building in his honor. Now, therefore,

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

That the members of the General Assembly, by this resolution, request that the Department of Motor Vehicles name the Department of Motor Vehicles’ Field Office located at 509 Liberty Street in Batesburg‑Leesville “Corporal Kyle Carpenter Field Office” and erect appropriate markers or signs at this location that contain this designation.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Corporal Kyle Carpenter and the Department of Motor Vehicles.

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