**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO REQUEST THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME THE PORTION OF EAST MADISON STREET IN YORK, SOUTH CAROLINA, FROM ITS INTERSECTION WITH NORTH CONGRESS STREET TO ITS INTERSECTION WITH HUNTER STREET “DANIEL LEE LOWRY BOULEVARD” AND TO ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS ALONG THIS PORTION OF HIGHWAY CONTAINING THIS DESIGNATION.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina Senate were deeply saddened to learn of the death of Daniel Lee “Dan” Lowry, formerly of York, on May 17, 2017, at the venerable age of seventy‑eight; and

Whereas, born August 1, 1938, in York, he was the son of Jesse and Josie Lowry. In preparation for his life’s work, Dan Lowry earned his bachelor’s degree at Johnson C. Smith University, graduating in 1961. While at Johnson, he played football for two years and was quarterback. Graduate work followed at Howard University and George Washington University in Washington, D.C.; and

Whereas, he began his career as a playground director for the D.C. Department of Recreation. After a few years with the department, he was promoted to the position of Roving Leader, a special group trained to mentor at‑risk youth, and he was the featured Roving Leader in a television documentary about the Roving Leaders Program aired nationally by the National Broadcasting Company (NBC); and

Whereas, following his time with the D.C. Department of Recreation, Dan Lowry worked for the U.S. Department of Labor. He was assigned to the job corps unit and worked in the placement and program review units. He was promoted to Deputy Director of Jobs Corps, and received several awards for outstanding performance during his tenure; and

Whereas, he was a participant in the White House’s Presidential Interchange Executive Program (1972), of which private enterprise and government agencies exchanged key personnel to better understand how each other works and to build better relationships. He was assigned to work at General Electric Corporation in New York; and

Whereas, in 1988, Dan Lowry was selected for the federal government’s Senior Executive Service training program, a highly coveted honor. In 1989, he was promoted to regional administrator, United States Department of Labor, Southeastern Region, Employment and Training Administration. He and his family moved to Fayetteville, Georgia, where they continued to live after his retirement; and

Whereas, following retirement from the federal government, he spent several years as a consultant for companies concerned with youth, employment, and training. He was CEO of the Texas Educational Foundation in Texas, retiring in 2000; and

Whereas, after retirement, Dan Lowry became active in the community. He served on his homeowners’ association board, worked to assist minority candidates in their bids for election, and was one of seven plaintiffs who successfully sued Fayette County, Georgia, for the elimination of at‑large voting; and

Whereas, he was a member of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity and Century Limited, a social club limited to one hundred professional African‑American men in the Washington, D.C. area. He also was an avid sports fan and enjoyed playing golf, and he was most proud of the fact that he scored a hole‑in‑one once; and

Whereas, left to cherish his memory are his beloved wife of fifty‑eight years, Mary; two sons, Anthony (Tony) and Eric; one daughter, Kiana; one grandson, Brian; one granddaughter, Kalies; two brothers, Jesse Lowry (Delores) and Ollie Lowry (Gloria); and many other relatives and friends. He will be missed; and

Whereas, it would be fitting and proper to forever recognize the good works of this son of the Palmetto State by naming a street in York, South Carolina, 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 request the Department of Transportation name the portion of East Madison Street in York, South Carolina, from its intersection with North Congress Street to its intersection with Hunter Street “Daniel Lee Lowry Boulevard” and to erect appropriate markers or signs along this portion of highway containing this designation.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Department of Transportation.

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