**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR BUREAU OF PROTECTIVE SERVICES CHIEF OF POLICE ZACKARY WISE OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY UPON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT, TO THANK HIM FOR HIS MANY YEARS OF OUTSTANDING SERVICE, AND TO WISH HIM CONTINUED SUCCESS AND HAPPINESS IN ALL HIS FUTURE ENDEAVORS.

Whereas, since 2007, the South Carolina Department of Public Safety’s Bureau of Protective Services has enjoyed the benefit of the dedication, experience, and leadership of Chief of Police Zackary Wise, who will retire from his post on April 1, 2017, after a law enforcement career of twenty‑five years; and

Whereas, as initial preparation for his life’s work, the young Zackary Wise graduated in 1987 from Mid‑Carolina High School in Prosperity. That same year, he joined the United States Marine Corps and served four years. During this time, he served in the First Gulf War, known as Operation Desert Shield and Desert Storm. While in the Marine Corps, he served as a non‑commissioned officer in the 8th Marine Regiment’s Training Division; and

Whereas, in further preparation for his career, he received specialized law enforcement training at the South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy, FBI Carolina Command College, FBI National Academy, and University of Virginia, among other institutions. Additionally, Chief Wise is a graduate of the Certified Public Managers Program, a nationally recognized professional development program for supervisors and managers in government. In March 2017, Chief Wise will complete his bachelor’s degree in disaster and emergency management at Columbia College; and

Whereas, Chief Wise began his law enforcement career in 1992 with the Newberry County Sheriff’s Department, where he served as sheriff’s deputy/master deputy for two years. In 1994, he took up his duties as a patrol officer with the South Carolina Department of Public Safety’s Bureau of Protective Services, where he has been promoted through the ranks to his current position as chief of police. In this position, he is responsible for overseeing all the administrative and operational functions of the Bureau of Protective Services Division, which currently has seventy commissioned officers and five administrative personnel. This division’s primary responsibility is to provide law enforcement functions for the South Carolina State Capitol Complex, the Governor’s Mansion Complex, and other contracted state facilities; and

Whereas, respected among his professional colleagues, Chief Wise is an affiliated member of the FBI National Academy Associates, South Carolina Law Enforcement Officers’ Association, and South Carolina Troopers Association; and

Whereas, at home, Chief Wise is the proud husband of Aqueelah, his wife of twenty‑eight years, and the equally proud father of Tyler, Courtney, and Gabriel. A man of faith, he is also a member of the Columbia Church of Christ; and

Whereas, the House of Representatives, grateful for the legacy of consistent commitment and excellence Chief Wise has bestowed on the people of South Carolina, takes great pleasure in wishing him well as he enters retirement and trusts he will find much enjoyment in the more leisurely pace of the days ahead. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, recognize and honor Bureau of Protective Services Chief of Police Zackary Wise of the South Carolina Department of Public Safety upon the occasion of his retirement, thank him for his many years of outstanding service, and wish him continued success and happiness in all his future endeavors.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Chief Zackary Wise.

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