**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE GABRIEL ASHTON SWAD OF SPARTANBURG COUNTY UPON HIS RECENT GRADUATION FROM THE DARLA MOORE SCHOOL OF BUSINESS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA, TO THANK HIM FOR HIS FINE SERVICE AS A PAGE TO THE SOUTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AND TO WISH HIM SUCCESS IN ALL HIS FUTURE ENDEAVORS.

Whereas, the South Carolina House of Representatives is pleased to learn that Gabriel “Gabe” Swad of Spartanburg County, having successfully attained his Bachelor of Science in Business Administration with a focus in Marketing, graduated from the University of South Carolina in December 2016; and

Whereas, Gabe began his professional career at the Law Offices of Harrison, White, Smith, & Coggins in Spartanburg, where he was a runner requiring him to assist in the organization, transportation, and filing of legal documents for each of the firm’s partners and associates. After a few months in this role, he joined the ranks of the pages for the House of Representatives as a Floor Page; and

Whereas, he has worked his way from the role of Floor Page, which he began in January 2013, to the point of Stand‑in Reading Clerk. He performed this role in the absence of Reading Clerk Bubba Cromer, who was out for one day, his first in 28 years, during the 2017 session due to medical reasons. His duties have included announcing House bill numbers and descriptions as they appear on the House Calendar when necessary, as well as acting as the exclusive mechanical operator of the voting board. His proficiency in this role has been exemplary; and

Whereas, Gabe’s dedication to his work is further evidenced from the twelve‑year perfect attendance record he achieved throughout the course of his education; and

Whereas, additionally, since January 2015, Gabe has acted as the Assistant Middle School and Varsity Lacrosse Coach at Hammond School. Having been named to 1st Team All‑State for lacrosse while a student himself, Gabe has committed the expertise he has gained through experience to the students of Hammond in order to better develop each player’s skill set. His love of the sport has enabled him to mold young minds in a manner that will benefit them both on and off the field; and

Whereas, when he isn’t spending his time honing young athletes’ lacrosse abilities and ensuring the efficient flow of the Legislative session, Gabe is an advanced underwater SCUBA diver. He also enjoys riding motorcycles; and

Whereas, the South Carolina House of Representatives is grateful for the dedication to excellence in academics and service exhibited in the lives of outstanding students like Gabriel Swad, and the members look with interest to hear of his continued accomplishments in 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, congratulate Gabriel Ashton Swad of Spartanburg County upon his recent graduation from the Darla Moore School of Business at the University of South Carolina, thank him for his fine service as a page to the South Carolina House of Representatives, and wish him success in all his future endeavors.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to Gabriel Swad.

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