**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE MARCH 13, 2018, AS “WESLEY BRYAN DAY” IN SOUTH CAROLINA, TO COMMEND WESLEY BRYAN FOR MANY OUTSTANDING ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN HIS GOLFING CAREER, AND TO WISH HIM SUCCESS IN ALL HIS FUTURE ENDEAVORS.

Whereas, born in Chapin to an established golfing family on March 26, 1990, Wesley Bryan is the son of Valerie and George Bryan III, owners of George Bryan Golf Academy. He competed as a teenager in the 2004 RBC Heritage with his father, one of only a handful of father‑son duos ever to participate; and

Whereas, his siblings also are competitive golfers. His brother, George Bryan IV, was a three-time All‑American at the University of South Carolina and plays in the PGA Tour Latinoamérica, and his sister, Mary Chandler Bryan, played on the College of Charleston’s golf team; and

Whereas, Wesley Bryan excelled in golf at an early age. He was a two-time state champion at Irmo’s Dutch Fork High School and, in 2007, he was the junior champion of the South Carolina Golf Association at Orangeburg Country Club, a group he credits with fostering his talent and passion at an early age; and

Whereas, he earned a bachelor’s degree in retailing from the University of South Carolina (USC) in 2012, where he lettered in golf for four years and was twice named an All‑SEC player; and

Whereas, after struggling with his golf game at USC, Wesley Bryan found renewed confidence during his senior year, turned professional after graduation, and competed with his brother in *Big Break: The Palm Beaches, Florida*, a reality television show on Golf Channel. Together they began making trick shot videos, which have had millions of viewers online; and

Whereas, he then qualified for the Web.com Tour in 2016, was honored with the Web.com Tour 2016 Player of the Year Award, and won three events: Chitimacha Louisiana Open, El Bosque Mexico Championship, and Digital Ally Open. These wins earned him promotion to the PGA Tour; and

Whereas, on April 16, 2017, Wesley Bryan claimed his first PGA Tour victory at the RBC Heritage, presented by Boeing, when he came from four strokes behind to win by a single stroke over Luke Donald, becoming the first player from South Carolina to win the event in nearly fifty years. This major win earned him the Official World Golf Ranking of thirty‑seventh, his career‑best ranking to date, as well as a spot in the 2018 Masters Tournament; and

Whereas, a devout Christian, Mr. Bryan spends Tuesday nights taking part in a traveling Bible study known as the PGA Tour Fellowship; and

Whereas, he has been married to his childhood sweetheart, Elizabeth Gray, since 2012, and he has sought to maintain the order of his priorities as Jesus, his wife, and his work; and

Whereas, the South Carolina House of Representatives appreciates the pride and recognition that Wesley Bryan has brought to the Palmetto State, and the members look with great interest to hear of the continued achievements of this talented athlete 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, recognize March 13, 2018, as “Wesley Bryan Day” in South Carolina, commend Wesley Bryan for many outstanding accomplishments in his golfing career, and wish him success in all his future endeavors.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Wesley Bryan.

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