**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND COMMEND THE HONORABLE F. GREGORY “GREG” DELLENEY, JR., OF CHESTER COUNTY FOR HIS DEDICATED SERVICE IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ON BEHALF OF HIS CONSTITUENTS AND THE CITIZENS OF SOUTH CAROLINA AND TO WISH HIM MUCH FUTURE JOY.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives learned that the Honorable Greg Delleney, a statesman in the truest sense, will retire from the House of Representatives at the conclusion of his current term; and

Whereas, born in Chester on February 9, 1952, he is the son of the late Ruby Wright Delleney and Francis Gregory Delleney, and he earned a bachelor’s degree from The Citadel in 1974; and

Whereas, in the patriotic tradition of the Palmetto State, Representative Delleney served with distinction in the United States Navy from 1974 to 1977 and retired at the rank of Commander in the United States Navy Reserves; and

Whereas, he attended Cumberland Law School and earned a juris doctorate from Samford University in 1981, after completing his active military duty; and

Whereas, Mr. Delleney married his beloved wife, the former Rebecca Caroline Williams, in 1983 and learned the veracity of the proverb, “Whoso finds a wife finds a good thing, and obtains favor of the Lord.” Together they reared two fine children, Caroline Caldwell and Francis Gregory III; and

Whereas, a devoted and proud father, he enjoys hunting and spending time outdoors with son Gregory who also is a Citadel alum and talking politics with daughter Caroline who is keeping the family’s tradition of public service alive in her own right; and

Whereas, when away from his duties in the House of Representatives, he practices law with the firm of Hamilton, Delleney, Grier, and Cotten, LLC; and

Whereas, an active member of Chester Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, Representative Delleney has served the congregation as an elder, and he is a member of Gideons International; and

Whereas, Representative Delleney has faithfully served the citizens of Chester and York counties in District 43 in the House of Representatives since 1991, during which time he has served on the Ethics Committee and as chairman of the Judiciary Committee; and

Whereas, as the longest‑serving legislator currently in the House, he has provided integrity, along with effective and consistent leadership, displaying his enduring commitment to the Constitution. Representative Delleney’s service has been guided by his faith and his own personal moral code. Among many honors, he was awarded the 2007 Terry Haskins Legislative Leadership Award and was named the 2007 Palmetto Family Council South Carolina Legislator of the Year and the 2008 Pro‑Life Legislator of the Year from the South Carolina Citizens for Life; and

Whereas, the members of the House of Representatives will miss the impassioned and loyal service that Greg Delleney, their friend and colleague, has given to the House of Representatives, and hope that he will enjoy deep fulfillment in the years to come as he follows along the path the Lord sets before him accepting his next call to service. Godspeed dear friend. 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 commend the HonorableF. Gregory “Greg” Delleney, Jr., of Chester County for his dedicated service in the House of Representatives on behalf of his constituents and the citizens of South Carolina and wish him much future joy.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to the Honorable F. Gregory “Greg” Delleney, Jr.

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