**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO HONOR AND COMMEND CHIEF THOMAS SAMUEL “SAM” LESSLIE, JR., ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT FROM RIVERVIEW FIRE DEPARTMENT AFTER FORTY‑FIVE YEARS OF COMMITTED SERVICE AND TO WISH HIM MUCH HAPPINESS IN HIS WELL‑EARNED RETIREMENT.

Whereas, the members of the General Assembly of South Carolina deem it fitting and proper to pause in their deliberations to honor Chief Thomas Samuel “Sam” Lesslie, Jr., a man who has dedicated almost half a century to protecting the lives of the citizens of York County, on the occasion of his retirement as fire chief of the Riverview Fire Department; and

Whereas, Chief Sam Lesslie became the first and only fire chief of Riverview Fire Department, which was organized in the mid‑1970s; and

Whereas, prior to this, Chief Lesslie served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War; and

Whereas, he also owned and operated Catawba Asphalt and Paving, a York County business, for over forty years and served as an officer with the Riverview Water System; and

Whereas, furthermore, he has been a long‑time member of the York County Fire Chief’s Association; and

Whereas, Chief Lesslie has been married to the love of his life since 1971. Together, they have been blessed with two cherished daughters and one beloved granddaughter; and

Whereas, after spending years serving the people of York, Chief Lesslie will finally be able to spend many hours of enjoyment hunting and practicing with shooting clays; and

Whereas, the members of the General Assembly of the Palmetto State are grateful for Chief Lesslie’s unwavering commitment to the community and hope he finds ample joy and relaxation in his much‑deserved retirement. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:

That the members of the South Carolina General Assembly, by this resolution, honor and commend Chief Thomas Samuel “Sam” Lesslie, Jr., on the occasion of his retirement from Riverview Fire Department after forty‑five of years of committed service and wish him much happiness in his well‑earned retirement.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Chief Thomas Samuel “Sam” Lesslie, Jr.

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