**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND COMMEND THE HONORABLE WILLIAM K. “BILL” BOWERS OF HAMPTON 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 SUCCESS AND HAPPINESS IN ALL HIS FUTURE ENDEAVORS.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives learned with sincere regret that Representative William K. “Bill” Bowers will depart from the House of Representatives at the conclusion of his current term; and

Whereas, born in the Hampton County town of Brunson on July 25, 1952, he is the son of William Lonnie Bowers and Betty Jean Hubbard Wall; and

Whereas, Bill Bowers earned a bachelor’s degree in accounting from Clemson University in 1974 and later attended the University of South Carolina, where he earned a master of business administration degree in 1980 and a doctor of philosophy degree in tax accounting in 1994. A certified public accountant and certified management accountant, Representative Bowers has served on the faculty of the University of South Carolina Beaufort since 1982; and

Whereas, deeply involved in his community, Bill Bowers has served as a board member of the Colleton Center and the South Carolina Artisans Center, and has received the Paul Harris Fellow Award; and

Whereas, Representative Bowers has faithfully served the citizens of District 122 in Beaufort, Hampton, and Jasper counties in the House of Representatives since 1997, during which time he has served on the Legislative Oversight Committee and on the Labor, Commerce and Industry Committee as its second vice chair; and

Whereas, in all of his service, Bill Bowers has provided reasoned leadership and clear insight into critical legislative issues. In particular, his unique academic and professional expertise has proven invaluable to the understanding of tax policy implications of legislation; and

Whereas, the members of the House of Representatives will miss the keen and impassioned service that Bill Bowers, their friend and colleague, has given to the House of Representatives, and hope that he will enjoy deep fulfillment in the years to come. 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 HonorableWilliam K. “Bill” Bowers of Hampton 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 success and happiness in all his future endeavors.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to the Honorable William K. “Bill” Bowers.

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