**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO EXPRESS PROFOUND SORROW UPON THE PASSING OF FREDRICK “FRED” GILLENS AND TO EXTEND SYMPATHY TO HIS FAMILY AND MANY FRIENDS.

Whereas, Fredrick “Fred” Gillens, a beloved husband, father, brother, uncle, and friend, was called home to glory on July 3, 2018; and

Whereas, Fred was born in Eutawville to Ray Ann and the late Louis Gillens on January 25, 1973; and

Whereas, raised in Orangeburg County, Fred would graduate from Holly Hill Roberts High School in 1991, before attending Clemson University; and

Whereas, an avid athlete, he was a lineman of the Clemson Tiger’s football team, earned the status of letterman, and returned in 2013 to play in the fourth Clemson Sons Bowl, a flag football game featuring former Clemson football greats; and

Whereas, he graduated in 1996 with a bachelor of science degree in accounting with a Certified Public Accountant certification and opened Columbia Real Estate and Land Development, LLC, serving as the owner and president; and

Whereas, he was joined in holy matrimony to Shakesha Wilson and their union was blessed with two children, Anna Logan and Fredrick; and

Whereas, in his spare time, Fred enjoyed watching Clemson football, coaching Pop Warner football, and spending time with his family and friends. He shared his love of football with others as the co‑creator of “Team Gillens,” an annual ball raiser that provided balls and other sporting equipment to local community centers. He will be greatly missed by all who had the privilege of knowing him. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives by this resolution, express their profound sorrow upon the passing of Fredrick “Fred” Gillens and the deepest sympathy be extended to his family and many friends.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Fredrick “Fred” Gillens.

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