**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO HONOR AND REMEMBER THE SUPREME SACRIFICE MADE BY SERGEANT TERRENCE FELIPE CARRAWAY OF THE FLORENCE POLICE DEPARTMENT WHILE IN THE LINE OF DUTY AND TO EXPRESS TO HIS FAMILY THE PROFOUND APPRECIATION OF A GRATEFUL STATE FOR HIS LIFE, SACRIFICE, AND SERVICE.

Whereas, with deep appreciation, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives pause to honor, on behalf of all South Carolinians, the great sacrifice that the men and women of the police departments make for the safety and protection of citizens in the Palmetto State; and

Whereas, the South Carolina House of Representatives was gratified to learn that the late Florence Police Sergeant Terrence Carraway was honored during a memorial at the Criminal Justice Academy in Columbia on Wednesday, May 1, 2019, and will be inducted into the South Carolina Law Enforcement Officers Hall of Fame; and

Whereas, Sergeant Carraway was shot and killed after an ambush in Florence’s Vintage Place neighborhood on October 3, 2018, while responding to assist three Florence County Sheriff’s Office deputies, all of whom had been shot and wounded while serving a sexual assault warrant; and

Whereas, born in Florence, he was the son of the late Delores “Sabra” Carraway Onwuka and was educated in the public schools of Darlington County where he was an all‑around athlete and a 1984 graduate of Mayo High School. He loved football and was eternally devoted to the Oakland Raiders; and

Whereas, Sergeant Carraway was a thirty‑year veteran police officer with the Florence Police Department, highly decorated and having earned many honors, including Police Officer of the Year, Hometown Hero, and the Medal of Valor; and

Whereas, he served with distinction as a Security Journeyman in the Air Force Reserve and retired after twenty‑three years with the 315th Security Forces Squadron at the Charleston Air Force Base. In 2002, he was honored as the first African‑American airman from Charleston Air Force Reserve Command to be named NCO of the Year World Wide, and he was selected as one of the Twelve Outstanding Airmen of 2002; and

Whereas, a faithful member of the Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church in Darlington, Sergeant Carraway served as a member of the Ushers Ministry, Male Choir, C. L. Bowens Choir, and other ministries of the church and keenly supported youth ministry; and

Whereas, together with his beloved wife of twenty‑nine years, Allison Greene Carraway, he reared two fine sons, Terrence Rashad Carraway and Tislam Larenzo Blathers; and

Whereas, there is no greater or braver sacrifice for a man to make than to lay down his life; therefore, the South Carolina House of Representatives is honored to remember the life and sacrifice of a brave son and hero of the Palmetto State, Terrence Carraway. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, honor and remember the supreme sacrifice made by Sergeant Terrence Felipe Carraway of the Florence Police Department while in the line of duty and express to his family the profound appreciation of a grateful State for his life, sacrifice, and service.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Sergeant Terrence Felipe Carraway.

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