**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO HONOR PASTOR WILLIE J. HUNTER, SR., AND FIRST LADY JEANETTE HUNTER OF MOUNT EVEREST WORSHIP CENTER IN BARNWELL ON THE OCCASION OF THEIR TWENTY‑FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF GOSPEL MINISTRY AT MOUNT EVEREST AND TO WISH THEM GOD’S RICHEST BLESSINGS AS THEY CONTINUE TO SERVE THE LORD.

Whereas, it is with great pleasure that the South Carolina House of Representatives honors those individuals who give tirelessly of themselves to nurturing the souls of men; and

Whereas, Pastor Willie J. Hunter, Sr., and First Lady Jeanette Hunter of Mount Everest Worship Center in Barnwell stand among their number as outstanding ministers of the gospel, both being much admired by colleagues, congregation, and area residents at large; and

Whereas, the year 1995 was an interesting time to watch in the life of Pastor Hunter as God was moving upon his heart and manifesting Himself in various ways. Ultimately, 1995 saw the inauguration of a quarter century of Christian ministry to the people of Barnwell through the fledgling Mount Everest Worship Center; and

Whereas, indeed, from 1995 until this day, many people have been touched through the ministry of Mount Everest. Pastor and First Lady Hunter have learned much along the way, but one of the most important lessons they have mastered is that no matter how bad things may seem, there is always a better and brighter side; and

Whereas, Pastor Hunter is an anointed man who has been commissioned by God to preach the Word of God. He is one who will give you the truth. He loves God and is not ashamed to let the world know that he loves God. Pastor Hunter enjoys reading, studying, teaching, and preaching the gospel. He has counseled and married many couples. He and First Lady Hunter minister together, serving under this motto: “You must trust God and expect the great in order to receive great things”; and

Whereas, Pastor Hunter considers it one of the greatest triumphs of his life that he was able to persuade Mount Everest First Lady Jeanette Hunter to become his wife. He finds strength for his myriad duties through her strong support, as well as that of their children, Stephanie (married to Deacon Herman), Pastor Willie, Jr. (married to First Lady Shauna), and Chasity (married to Music Minister Eric). The senior Hunters are the proud grandparents of Hannah, Noah, Caleb, Leah, Erin, and Olivia; and

Whereas, to recognize Pastor Willie and First Lady Jeanette Hunter’s twenty‑five years of ministry at Mount Everest Worship Center, a celebratory gathering was held at the center on Saturday, February 22, 2020; and

Whereas, cognizant of their many years of spiritual nourishment of the people of South Carolina, the House of Representatives wishes to express grateful thanks to Pastor Willie and First Lady Jeanette Hunter and wish them God’s best as they continue to run the race the Lord has set before them. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, honor Pastor Willie J. Hunter, Sr., and First Lady Jeanette Hunter of Mount Everest Worship Center in Barnwell on the occasion of their twenty‑fifth anniversary of gospel ministry at Mount Everest and wish them God’s richest blessings as they continue to serve the Lord.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Pastor Willie J. Hunter, Sr., and First Lady Jeanette Hunter of Mount Everest Worship Center.

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