**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO EXPRESS THE PROFOUND SORROW OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES UPON THE PASSING OF THOMAS “TOMMY” WHITFIELD DUNAWAY III OF ANDERSON COUNTY AND TO EXTEND THEIR DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO HIS LARGE AND LOVING FAMILY AND HIS MANY FRIENDS.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives were saddened to learn of the death of Thomas “Tommy” Whitfield Dunaway III at the age of sixty‑eight on Thursday, April 16, 2020; and

Whereas, born in Anderson on April 30, 1951, he was the son of the late Thomas Whitfield Dunaway II and Mary Ann Moorhead Dunaway; and

Whereas, in 1974, Mr. Dunaway earned a bachelor’s degree from Wofford College and a juris doctorate and Proctor in Admiralty in 1977 from Samford University’s Cumberland School of Law in Birmingham, Alabama, where he was a student member of the American Trial Lawyers Association and the American Bar Association; and

Whereas, for thirty‑five years he practiced law in Anderson, during which he was admitted to the Supreme Court of the United States, Supreme Court of the State of South Carolina, United States Court of Appeals Fourth Circuit, and United States Tax Court. He was Who’s Who in American Law Board and was a certified member of the Million Dollar Advocates Forum and of the Multi‑Million Dollar Advocates Forum; and

Whereas, dedicated to his community, Mr. Dunaway served on the Anderson City Council for thirty‑three years, as well as on the Anderson Development Partnership and Anderson Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors. He was honored with the State of South Caroline Senate Certificate of Appreciation for Downtown Anderson Redevelopment and an Award of Appreciation from Governor Carroll Campbell. He also served as a South Carolina real estate broker and as an agent with Lawyer’s Title Insurance Company; and

Whereas, a faithful member of St. John’s United Methodist Church, he served as a trustee and on the church’s administrative board. As a member of Hiram Masonic Lodge, he was honored as its Mason of the Year and with lifetime membership in Hiram Lodge; and

Whereas, in 1988, Mr. Dunaway was appointed to the South Carolina Water Resources Commission by Governor Campbell, serving as the vice chair. He served on the board of directors for the Austin Wilkes Society and Anderson Heritage, Inc., where he was past president. He served as a member of the Advisory Committee to the Land, Water and Conservation Division of the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources and the Carolina First Bank Advisory Board; and

Whereas, together with his beloved wife, Deborah Beauregard Dunaway, he had four fine children: Thomas Whitfield “Field” Dunaway IV of Anderson; Blake Hansford Cleveland of Orinda, California; Ivey Newton Dunaway of Charleston; and Anita Cleveland Crane of Atlanta, Georgia. He was blessed with the affection of seven adoring grandchildren: Thomas Whitfield Dunaway V, Penelope Herron Dunaway, Cole Hansford Cleveland, Elizabeth Beauregard Cleveland, William Blake Cleveland, Anne Ballard Crane, and Joseph Andrew Crane; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives are grateful for the life and legacy of Tommy Dunaway and for his example of tireless work on behalf of his clients, for his brilliant mind, his gregarious personality, his love of life, his laughter, and for being a man of the people. 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 Thomas “Tommy” Whitfield Dunaway III of Anderson County and extend their deepest sympathy to his large and loving family and his many friends.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Thomas “Tommy” Whitfield Dunaway III.

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