**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE JAMES E. STEWART OF EASLEY AND TO COMMEND HIM FOR HIS OVER FORTY-THREE YEARS OF OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO PICKENS COUNTY.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina General Assembly are pleased to recognize James E. Stewart for his significant contributions to his community and the State of South Carolina; and

Whereas, a leader in his community, Mr. Stewart served on the Pickens County Foster Care Review Board from 1976 to 1990 and on the Pickens County Social Services Board from August 2, 1990 to June 30, 2017; and

Whereas, Mr. Stewart has also been a member of a number of organizations, including the Easley Lions Club for over three decades; the Easley Jaycees, for which he has the distinguished honor of being its longest standing member; Bates Mason Lodge #189 for over fifty years; Hejaz Shriners for over fifty years; and American Legion 52, Easley; and

Whereas, over the years, Mr. Stewart has received many honors and awards, including the Melvin Jones Award from the Easley Lions Club; and

Whereas, a devout Christian, he is a member of First Baptist Church in Easley and was awarded the title of Deacon Emeritus; and

Whereas, during his tenure on these important boards and with these organizations, Mr. Stewart has brought genuine concern and a high degree of dedication to his service; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina General Assembly are grateful for the dedication and commitment that James E. Stewart has shown in serving the State and the people of South Carolina. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring:

That the members of the South Carolina General Assembly, by this resolution, recognize James E. Stewart of Easley and commend him for his over forty-three years of outstanding service to Pickens County.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to James E. Stewart.

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