**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO EXPRESS PROFOUND SORROW UPON THE PASSING OF THE HONORABLE FLOYD BREELAND OF CHARLESTON COUNTY, TO CELEBRATE HIS LIFE AND ACHIEVEMENTS, AND TO EXTEND THE DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO HIS FAMILY AND MANY FRIENDS.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives were deeply saddened by the death of the Honorable Floyd Breeland, former representative for Charleston County, on August 11, 2020, at the age of eighty‑seven; and

Whereas, a native of Badham, born on August 5, 1933, he was a son of the late Lucius and late Lillian Cummings Breeland. He received a Bachelor of Arts degree in English from Allen University in 1955, before going on to earn a Master of Science degree in Secondary School Education from Indiana University. In addition, he also completed post‑graduate studies at Columbia University; and

Whereas, after having served in the army, Mr. Breeland began an esteemed career dedicated to education and service to others. He worked for thirty‑three years in public education, serving as a teacher, principal, and other positions in the Charleston County School District and other districts throughout South Carolina and Georgia; and

Whereas, upon his retirement from a career in education in 1993, he went on to be elected to the South Carolina House of Representatives House District 111 in Charleston. During his tenure, he served on numerous committees, including Interstate Cooperation and Medical, Military, Public and Municipal Affairs. Dedicating himself to others, he served with distinction and dedication until his retirement in 2008; and

Whereas, he then began a new venture overseeing the College of Charleston’s Call Me MISTER program, otherwise known as Mentors Instructing Students Toward Effective Role Models. This statewide program recruits and readies Black men to become educators. Fran Welch, the dean of the School of Education, Health and Human Performance at the college enlisted Breeland for the position when she was notified that he was retiring from his life in politics; and

Whereas, living a life in service to others, Floyd Breeland was a board member of the South Carolina Department of Vocational Rehabilitation, a coordinator for Adopt‑A‑Highway in Charleston County, a coordinator for adult education, a board member for Community Pride, Inc., of Charleston County, a member of Choraliers Music Club, Inc., a longstanding member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., a member of Lily Work Lodge #10, a trustee and class leader of Emanuel AME Church, a member of the Burke High School Advisory Council, and a member of Owl’s Whist Club; and

Whereas, Mr. Breeland will be remembered for his dedication to education and the quality of life of other South Carolinians. He maintained a deeply caring nature and had exemplary values. He is well‑known for always doing what was good for his constituents and never losing focus on doing the right thing; and

Whereas, Mr. Breeland leaves to cherish his memory and carry on his legacy his wife Felicia Scott Breeland, their son LeVanza Floyd Breeland, daughter‑in‑law Deborah Breeland, granddaughter Martina Cameron, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, step‑children, and friends. 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 profound sorrow upon the passing of the Honorable Floyd Breeland of Charleston County, celebrate his life and achievements, and extend the deepest sympathy to his family and many friends.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Mrs. Felicia Scott Breeland for the family.

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