**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND CELEBRATE DAVY HITE FOR HIS EXCEPTIONAL ANGLING SKILL, BROADCASTING ABILITY, STEWARDSHIP OF THE OUTDOORS, AND SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY AND TO CONGRATULATE HIM ON HIS SELECTION INTO THE 2019 BASS FISHING HALL OF FAME IN SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina Senate are pleased to learn that South Carolina Army National Guard veteran Davy Hite has been selected as the first South Carolinian into the Bass Fishing Hall of Fame, and the selection was announced on Thursday, February 14, 2019; and

Whereas, Davy Hite put together a stellar and competitive bass fishing career, winning the coveted Bassmaster Angler of the Year title two times, the 1999 Bassmaster Classic, and the 1998 FLW Forrest Wood Cup, making him one of five anglers to accomplish this feat. His ledger includes eight Bassmaster victories along with the FLW Championship and 2.3 million dollars in earnings; and

Whereas, in 2016, Mr. Hite retired from competitive angling, sliding seamlessly into a new role as a co‑host on *Bassmaster* *LIVE* and *Bassmasters* show on the ESPN family of networks; and

Whereas, Mr. Hite will be recognized and officially inducted into the Bass Fishing Hall of Fame at Johnny Morris’ Wonders of Wildlife Museum and Aquarium in Springfield, Missouri, on Thursday, September 19, 2019; and

Whereas, the South Carolina Senate takes great pleasure in applauding the outstanding achievements of Davy Hite, and the members look with interest to hear of his continued success in the days ahead. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, recognize and celebrate Davy Hite for his exceptional angling skill, broadcasting ability, stewardship of the outdoors, and service to our country and congratulate him on his selection into the 2019 Bass Fishing Hall of Fame in Springfield, Missouri.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Davy Hite.

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