**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND COMMEND THE HONORABLE DEAN C. RIEGEL FOR HIS EIGHT YEARS OF DEDICATED PUBLIC SERVICE AS A MEMBER OF CHARLESTON CITY COUNCIL AND TO WISH HIM MUCH SUCCESS AND FULFILLMENT IN ALL HIS FUTURE ENDEAVORS.

Whereas, for eight years, the City of Charleston enjoyed the benefit of the commitment, experience, and leadership of the Honorable Dean C. Riegel, former member of Charleston City Council, who stepped down from his duties as a councilman in 2018; and

Whereas, during his term of service on city council, which began in January 2010 and concluded in January 2018, he represented City Council District #10 in West Ashley, inclusive of Shadowmoss, Grand Oaks, Hickory Farms, Hickory Hills, Village Green, McLaura Hall, and Shiveling Plantation. Councilman Riegel accomplished much for District #10 and in 2012 was appointed mayor pro tempore for the City of Charleston; and

Whereas, his duties led to service on various standing committees, including the city’s Human Resource Committee (past chair), Charleston Water Supply Committee (past chair), Special Facilities Committee (past chair), Public Works and Storm Water Committee (past vice chair), Audit Committee and Licensing Committee, Public Safety Committee, Ways and Means Committee, Charleston Sustainability Committee, and Real Estate Committee; and

Whereas, he also has served as a Charleston Public Water System Commissioner, City of Charleston Department of Recreation Commissioner, member of the Charleston Area Convention & Visitors Bureau Board of Governors and of the Council of Governments Transportation Review Committee. Mr. Riegel has been a City of Charleston Municipal Golf Course commissioner and member of the U.S. Air Force Joint Base Advisory Council. He is a City of Charleston Police Department Citizens Police Academy graduate; and

Whereas, further, he serves on the boards of the Charleston Motor Carriers Association, Charleston Animal Society, and Gavalas Foundation, and he is a member of the Charleston Elks Lodge # 242, Summerville Elks Lodge #2719, YWCA of Greater Charleston, Charleston Rifle Club, and Rotary Club of North Charleston; and

Whereas, Dean Riegel, in recognition of his dedicated service, has received numerous honors. Among them are the Martin Luther King, Jr., 2013 Distinguished Civic Leader Award for Outstanding Community Service; Propeller Club, the Port of Charleston, 2013 Member of the Year Award; and the Charleston Elks Lodge #242 Distinguished Citizen Award for both 2012 and 2014; and

Whereas, in preparation for his life’s work, he earned his bachelor’s degree in business administration from Ohio State University and his master’s degree in communication and organizational development from Central Michigan University. He completed additional postgraduate studies at The Citadel. In early 2020, Mr. Riegel retired from a career of more than thirty‑five years in the health care, hospital, and health insurance fields, in which he held senior‑level positions for large multiservice medical facilities; and

Whereas, he finds strong support for his labors in his lovely wife of forty‑nine years, Deborah. The senior Riegels delight in five grandchildren ranging from ten to twenty years of age; and

Whereas, Dean C. Riegel bestowed a legacy of consistent excellence and commitment on the people of South Carolina, most particularly those of Charleston, and it is a great pleasure to salute him for his distinguished service and wish him all the best in the days ahead. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, recognize and commend Dean C. Riegel for his eight years of dedicated public service as a member of Charleston City Council and wish him much success and fulfillment in all his future endeavors.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Dean C. Riegel.

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