COMMITTEE REPORT

May 5, 2021

**H. 4295**

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**THE COMMITTEE ON**

**INVITATIONS AND MEMORIAL RESOLUTIONS**

To whom was referred a Concurrent Resolution (H. 4295) to request the Department of Transportation name the intersection at Two Notch Road where it intersects with Cushman Drive in Richland County “Bishop C.L. Lorick, Sr. Memorial, etc., respectfully

**REPORT:**

That they have duly and carefully considered the same and recommend that the same do pass:

DENNIS C. MOSS for Committee.

**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO REQUEST THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME THE INTERSECTION AT TWO NOTCH ROAD WHERE IT INTERSECTS WITH CUSHMAN DRIVE IN RICHLAND COUNTY “BISHOP C.L. LORICK, SR. MEMORIAL INTERSECTION” AND ERECT AN APPROPRIATE SIGN OR MARKER AT THIS LOCATION CONTAINING THESE WORDS.

Whereas, born in Lexington County May 5, 1928, Bishop Colie Lee Lorick, Sr., departed this life March 24, 2017. He attended Orangeburg County public schools where he graduated from North Industrial Institute. Following a short tour of duty in the United States Army, he married the former Elease Porterfield in 1946 and the couple relocated to Columbia; and

Whereas, baptized in 1951, he faithfully began serving at both Holy Ghost Station and Mount Sinai churches in the roles of deacon, Sunday school teacher, superintendent, and youth president. Answering the call to the ministry in 1962, he served two years as associate pastor at Mount Sinai Holiness Church; and

Whereas, the year 1964 saw the young minister assigned by Bishop Frank B. Saunders of Florence to assist him with a small mission on Bluff Road. In 1965, he was ordained and installed as pastor of the mission, renamed Rehoboth; and

Whereas, under Elder Lorick, church membership outgrew its sanctuary, and property was purchased for the building of a new Rehoboth sanctuary and fellowship hall. He was to serve the church as pastor and pastor emeritus for a span of forty‑four years; and

Whereas, the fledgling church became an affiliate of the United Church of Jesus Christ (Apostolic) in 1966. In 1979, Elder Lorick was elevated to Bishop and assigned to the Northern Diocese and State of Florida. He was appointed to the South Carolina diocese the following year and in 1992, was named Vice Presiding Bishop of the United Church; and

Whereas, during his storied career, Bishop Lorick launched the State’s first call‑in religious radio broadcast on WQXL‑AM, the first Black to integrate the station. He also was among the group of ministers and businessmen who formed Midland Communication Company, Incorporated, which established Columbia’s first Black‑owned fulltime gospel radio station ‑ WTGH‑AM; and

Whereas, a pastor and community activist, Bishop Lorick served and worked on such boards as the Black Adoption Agency, Columbia Ministerial Alliance, One Church‑One Child, North Columbia Civic Club, Greenview Community Civic Club, and Rehoboth’s Youth Intervention Program and Prison Ministry; and

Whereas, Bishop Lorick was the recipient of a 1995 commendation and a 1998 resolution, from the South Carolina House of Representatives; a South Carolina Senate resolution on his retirement from Rehoboth in 2001; the Key to the City of Columbia in 2001; and the Pioneer Award in 2017 from the United Church of Jesus Christ (Apostolic); and

Whereas, members of the South Carolina General Assembly feel it would be fitting and proper to honor the life of this extraordinary son of the Palmetto State by naming an intersection in Richland County in his honor. Now, therefore,

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

That the members of the General Assembly request the Department of Transportation name the intersection at Two Notch Road where it intersects with Cushman Drive in Richland County “Bishop C.L. Lorick, Sr. Memorial Intersection” and erect an appropriate sign or marker at this location containing these words.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Department of Transportation.

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