**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO EXPRESS THE PROFOUND SORROW OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES UPON THE PASSING OF LEON ERVIN MYERS OF ORANGEBURG 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 to learn of the passing of Leon Ervin Myers of Orangeburg on April 28, 2021, at the age of seventy‑four; and

Whereas, Leon Ervin Myers entered this world on July 31, 1946. Having received his early education in Georgetown, he went on to further his educational studies at South Carolina State University and graduated in 1970; and

Whereas, hired by his alma mater in August 1972, Leon worked as an assistant professor in the Department of Computer Science and Mathematics for nearly fifty years. He played a major role in the evolvement of the University’s math department, serving as Coordinator for Recruitment and Retention of Students, organizing study hall, and co‑authoring a number of publications; and

Whereas, Leon made significant contributions to the Athletics Department at South Carolina State University, where he served for many years as a coordinator of the Academic Enhancement Component. He also assisted with tutorial services and study hall for Bulldog athletes; and

Whereas, for over forty years, Leon served as a member of the football game‑day press box crew, primarily as a spotter, during the tenure of retired Sports Information Director at the University, Bill Hamilton, and later Kendrick Lewis; and

Whereas, Leon was honored for his contributions to the University’s Athletics Department when he was inducted into the South Carolina State University Athletic Hall of Fame in 2016; and

Whereas, a career that began in 1970, Leon was a longtime area and statewide official for football, basketball, baseball, and softball. He was named the Area Seven Supervisor of Officials and handled assignments for several sports; and

Whereas, a loyal and proud member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., Leon served as the advisor to his chapter, Xi Psi, located on the campus of South Carolina State University; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives recognize that the success of the State of South Carolina, the strength of its communities, and the vitality of American society as a whole depend, in great measure, upon the dedication of individuals like Mr. Leon Myers who use their talents and resources to serve others. 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 Leon Ervin Myers of Orangeburg and extend the deepest sympathy to his family and many friends.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to the family of Leon Myers.

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