**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO REQUEST THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION RECOGNIZE THE HONORABLE DOLPHUS “D.C.” CARTER, JR., RETIRED EDUCATOR AND MUNICIPAL JUDGE, FOR A LIFETIME OF OUTSTANDING AND MEANINGFUL ACHIEVEMENTS, AND VALUABLE SERVICE AND COMMITMENT TO THE PEOPLE OF DILLON COUNTY, BY NAMING THE PORTION OF EAST DARGAN STREET IN THE CITY OF DILLON, FROM ITS INTERSECTION WITH UNITED STATES HIGHWAY 301 TO ITS INTERSECTION WITH SOUTH CAROLINA HIGHWAY 57 “JUDGE DOLPHUS ‘D.C.’ CARTER, JR. WAY” AND ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS ALONG THIS PORTION OF HIGHWAY CONTAINING THIS DESIGNATION.

Whereas, the Honorable Dolphus Carter, Jr., was married for nearly seventy years to the late Ruby Woods Carter. They were blessed with three children, René Carter, Jane Carter Crawford, and Stanley Carter (Becky); eight grandchildren and three great grandchildren. Their son, Dolphus III, preceded them in death; and

Whereas, Judge Carter was born in Allendale, South Carolina, where he graduated from Allendale County Public Schools. He joined the United States Army where he trained and became a member of the elite 82nd Airborne Division. He loved the challenge of making the cut and ultimately the thrill of jumping out of airplanes; and

Whereas, Judge Carter was honorably discharged from the Army in 1954 and enrolled in Claflin College in Orangeburg, graduating in 1957 with a bachelor’s degree in education. Following graduation, he accepted a position as principal of Dillon School District Two’s Minturn Grove Elementary School. He went on to earn a master’s degree in education from South Carolina State University while continuing his career in education as principal at a number of Dillon County schools, retiring in 1992. He is known and respected for his leadership as a principal and his unparalleled drive for excellence to ensure the success of all the students in his care; and

Whereas, Judge Carter has been named to numerous education‑related boards and committees. Most notably, he was appointed by Governor Richard Riley to be a member of the South Carolina Board of Education where he served two terms; and

Whereas, he was appointed as a municipal court judge for the City of Dillon in 1994, and served as chief judge, where he earned the reputation of being a no‑nonsense, tough, but fair adjudicator, until his retirement; and

Whereas, prior to becoming a judge, he was a member of the City of Dillon Zoning Board where he served as chairman; and

Whereas, he remains an active member of the Dillon County Democratic Party, formerly serving as vice chairman; and

Whereas, he is an active member of St. Stephens United Methodist Church where he has held a range of leadership positions, including chairman of the Board of Trustees, Administrative Board chairman, president of the United Methodist Men, and president of the senior choir; and

Whereas, Judge Carter is a proud and avid gardener who brags that “if it grows in the ground, I can grow it.” In retirement he enjoys spending time with his many friends and his horse named, “Grandma”; and

Whereas, Judge Carter has lived a stellar and exemplary life of integrity, fairness, and worth, touching lives in transformative ways, and leading by example as he taught lessons of hope, faith, and courage to his students; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina General Assembly are proud to recognize Judge Dolphus “D.C.” Carter, Jr., for his service to the community and the State by naming a portion of East Dargan Street in the City of Dillon in his honor. Now, therefore,

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

That the members of the South Carolina General Assembly request the Department of Transportation name the portion of East Dargan Street in the City of Dillon, from its intersection with United States Highway 301 to its intersection with South Carolina Highway 57 “Judge Dolphus ‘D.C.’ Carter, Jr. Way” and erect appropriate markers or signs along this portion of highway containing this designation**.**

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

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Judge Dolphus “D.C.” Carter, Jr.

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