**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO EXPRESS THE PROFOUND SORROW OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES UPON THE PASSING OF ALVIN GREGORY “GREG” HOUSE OF COLUMBIA AND TO EXTEND THE DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO HIS FAMILY AND MANY FRIENDS.

Whereas, the South Carolina House of Representatives was deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Alvin Gregory “Greg” House of Columbia on July 29, 2021, at the age of forty‑four; and

Whereas, born in Columbia on March 24, 1977, Greg House was the son of Gracie Simons House and Allen Johnson House. Greg was a proud alumnus of Columbia’s W.J. Keenan High School and Morehouse College in Atlanta, Georgia, where he obtained a bachelor’s degree in history; and

Whereas, after graduation, Greg spent the majority of his professional career at the Columbia Housing Authority, where he served in a number of capacities. Most importantly, he proved to be a strong advocate for all of the residents with whom he worked, and he always strove to make their environment more comfortable; and

Whereas, Greg had a number of hobbies and interests that allowed him to enjoy his true passion, meeting new people. Accordingly, he traveled across the U.S., the Caribbean, and Europe, enjoying new places, trying new foods, and exploring new cultures. He also enjoyed working out, exercising, and telling his cousins how many more times he made it to the gym each week than they did. He was a great cook and relished making his own meals on a regular basis. He even had his own special recipe for making boiled peanuts. Further, he was the world’s biggest Tampa Bay Bucs fan; and

Whereas, besides meeting new people and traveling, Greg loved spending time with his family, including his siblings, aunts, uncles, and cousins of all ages. He was always present at family gatherings and was always the life of the party. His family members, who loved having him around, enjoyed his jokes and delighted in his constant teasing, which kept everyone laughing; and

Whereas, this man of faith grew up attending Antioch AME Zion Church in Eastover and Red Hill Baptist Church in Gadsden. His faith was evident in his kindness, which knew no boundaries, and his spirituality, which he relied upon throughout his life; and

Whereas, preceded in death by his parents, Greg House leaves to cherish his memory his sister, Tammy House Rutherford (Harry) of Columbia, and his brother, Alan House of Los Angeles, California; his godparents, Edward and Brenda Wider, both of Orlando, Florida; three nephews, Harry “Torr” Rutherford, J. Todd Rutherford (Megan), and Trace Rutherford (Antoinette), all of Columbia; and numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends around the world. Greg will be remembered for his kind heart, generosity, devotion to his loved ones, and tremendous sense of humor. His life always will serve as light and inspiration to those who knew him. He will be greatly missed. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, express their profound sorrow upon the passing of Alvin Gregory “Greg” House of Columbia and extend the deepest sympathy to his family and many friends.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Mrs. Tammy House Rutherford for the family.

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