COMMITTEE REPORT

April 27, 2022

**H. 5088**

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**THE COMMITTEE ON**

**INVITATIONS AND MEMORIAL RESOLUTIONS**

To whom was referred a Concurrent Resolution (H. 5088) to request the Department of Transportation erect appropriate markers or signs at the intersection of South Carolina Highway 417 and Green Pond Road in Spartanburg County containing the words “United States Postal, 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 ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS AT THE INTERSECTION OF SOUTH CAROLINA HIGHWAY 417 AND GREEN POND ROAD IN SPARTANBURG COUNTY CONTAINING THE WORDS “UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE AIRMAIL DIRECTIONAL ARROW SITE”.

Whereas, located at the intersection of South Carolina Highway 417 and Green Pond Road in Spartanburg County is a large concrete arrow; and

Whereas, the site was once a part of a network of ground‑based navigational beacons established in the 1920s to guide United States Postal Service airmail pilots around the clock. The beacons stood atop concrete foundations in the shape of giant arrows measuring between fifty to seventy feet long; and

Whereas, the airmail beacon program operated full‑scale until 1933, when technological advancements and the high cost of operation rendered the service obsolete. The last airway beacon was officially retired in 1976; and

Whereas, it would be fitting and proper to recognize the role of the navigational beacon site in Spartanburg County, which guided airplanes flying along the postal service’s Atlanta‑New York route, for its historical significance. 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 erect appropriate markers or signs at the intersection of South Carolina Highway 417 and Green Pond Road in Spartanburg County containing the words “United States Postal Service Airmail Directional Arrow Site”.

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

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