**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR TESSA SPENCER, CO‑ANCHOR FOR WCIV ABC NEWS 4 IN CHARLESTON, AND TO CONGRATULATE HER FOR MORE THAN THREE DECADES OF OUTSTANDING BROADCAST JOURNALISM.

Whereas, the South Carolina House of Representatives is deeply grateful for broadcasters, such as Tessa Spencer, and the exceptional broadcast journalism which provides vital information to the citizens in their communities; and

Whereas, a native of Charleston, Ms. Spencer graduated from Bishop England High School and earned her bachelor’s degree in Mass Communications from Baptist College at Charleston (now Charleston Southern University). After college, she served in the United States Army Reserves and is a veteran of the first Gulf War; and

Whereas, Ms. Spencer’s thirty year broadcasting career began in radio and has carried her across the Carolinas, to Rhode Island, and to Tennessee, where she earned a spot as a cheerleader for the NFL’s Tennessee Titans; and

Whereas, upon returning to her hometown of Charleston in 1999, Ms. Spencer joined Z93 Radio as co‑host of the “Da Breakfuss Club” and became one of the most identifiable voices in the urban adult contemporary genre in Charleston. She and her co‑host, Baby J, earned numerous awards and recognitions, including a proclamation from Charleston Mayor Joe Riley naming June 21st “Tessa and Baby J Day”; and

Whereas, a seasoned voiceover artist, Ms. Spencer has worked on nationally syndicated productions including Black Enterprise, Chicago’s Bud Billiken Parade, The Trumpet Awards, Black College Quiz, FOX Soul’s Mentoring Kings, and America’s Black Forum. She has also served as the television voice of The Stellar Awards and Mentoring Kings; and

Whereas, since November 2011, Ms. Spencer has worked for WCIV TV ABC News 4 in different capacities and is currently an evening news anchor. During her television career, she garnered an Emmy nomination and is a two‑time RTDNAC winner. She also continues to work in radio as the midday radio personality on WMGL FM; and

Whereas, the South Carolina House of Representatives appreciates the pride and recognition that Tessa Spencer has brought to her community and to the Palmetto State through her journalism, and the members wish her continued success in her journalistic career. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, recognize and honor Tessa Spencer, co‑anchor for WCIV ABC News 4 in Charleston, and congratulate her for more than three decades of outstanding broadcast journalism.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Ms. Tessa Spencer.

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