COMMITTEE REPORT

May 5, 2021

**S. 569**

Introduced by Senator Adams

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**THE COMMITTEE ON**

**INVITATIONS AND MEMORIAL RESOLUTIONS**

To whom was referred a Concurrent Resolution (S. 569) to request that the Department of Transportation name the portion of United States Highway 52 Rivers Avenue from its intersection with Mall Drive to its intersection with McMillan, 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 THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME THE PORTION OF UNITED STATES HIGHWAY 52 RIVERS AVENUE FROM ITS INTERSECTION WITH MALL DRIVE TO ITS INTERSECTION WITH MCMILLAN AVENUE IN CHARLESTON COUNTY “ROBERT ANTHONY ‘TONY’ WAY ROAD” AND ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS AT THIS LOCATION CONTAINING THE DESIGNATION.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina General Assembly wish to honor the ultimate sacrifice of Officer Robert Anthony “Tony” Way, who was killed in the line of duty on February 18, 1985; and

Whereas, a native of Summerville, Officer Robert Anthony “Tony” Way was born on May 17, 1956, to father Robert A. Way, Sr., who was a veteran South Carolina Highway Patrolman. Officer Way was an alumnus of Summerville High School, where he was on the wrestling team and played football; and

Whereas, a veteran of the United States Air Force, Officer Way served as a K-9 handler and played on the United States Air Force football team in Germany; and

Whereas, he began his career with the South Carolina Highway Patrol but ultimately served the North Charleston Police Department as a patrolman; and

Whereas, on February 18, 1985, Officer Way and his partner, Patrolman Harvey Poole, responded to an alarm call at Rose’s Hideaway bar. Once they arrived, Officer Way saw a suspect run from the business, and he gave chase on foot. Once Officer Way cleared the corner of the building, the subject shot him in the chest; and

Whereas, Officer Way was survived by his wife, Audrey, and one-year-old son, Justin, at the time of his death. His son has since blessed the family with a granddaughter, Kandice; and

Whereas, it would be only fitting and proper to pay tribute to this courageous son of South Carolina by naming a portion of road in the State in his memory. Now, therefore,

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

That the members of the South Carolina General Assembly, by this resolution, request that the Department of Transportation name the portion of United States Highway 52 Rivers Avenue from its intersection with Mall Drive to its intersection with McMillan Avenue in Charleston County “Robert Anthony ‘Tony’ Way Road” and erect appropriate markers or signs at this location containing the designation.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Department of Transportation and the family of Officer Robert Anthony “Tony” Way.

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