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A house RESOLUTION

to recognize and honor James Gray, foreman of the mowing crew with the South Carolina Department of Transportation, and to commend him for his swift response and heroic actions to care for an injured coworker.

Whereas, Crew Foreman James Gray has been with South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT) for over nine years. He had just completed the required two-year First AID/CPR/AED training on February 26, 2024; and

Whereas, on Thursday, February 29, 2024, the quick actions of two SCDOT Edgefield employees helped save the life of one of their coworkers. When an SCDOT team member was severely injured during the course of performing his duties, James Gray and Equipment Operator Shaquille Oliver responded immediately, utilizing first aid kits and a make-shift tourniquet. Then they contacted 911 for emergency medical assistance; and

Whereas, EMS responded promptly and transported the team member to the nearest hospital, which was forty minutes away from the remote job site; and

Whereas, Mr. Gray had recently completed SCDOT’s annual First Aid/CPR/AED/Bloodborne Pathogen training, safety protocols, and training which proved valuable and played a major role in preparing him and Mr. Oliver to assess the situation and minimize the severity of the incident. As a result of their actions, the injured employee was stabilized, and a full recovery is expected; and

Whereas, born in Prosperity, James Gray has lived in Washington, D.C., and in Maryland, and he returned to South Carolina and settled in Edgefield many years ago. He enjoys riding motorcycles with his motorcycle crew called The Southern Hustlers, and he cuts grass in his spare time for family members; and

Whereas, he and his beloved wife of twenty-six years, Annette Gray, reared three fine children: Javoris, Asheema, and Latisha. They have been blessed with the affection of a three-year-old grandson; and

Whereas, the South Carolina House of Representatives values the response of citizens like James Gray who care for the well-being of their fellow citizens enough to prepare and selflessly respond to help when needed, and the members, along with his injured coworker, thank him for his vital and capable assistance. 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 James Gray, foreman of the mowing crew with the South Carolina Department of Transportation, and commend him for his swift response and heroic actions to care for an injured coworker.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to James Gray.

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