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COMMITTEE REPORT

May 1, 2012

**H. 5178**

Introduced by Reps. Simrill, Pope, Norman, Delleney, King, Long and D.C. Moss

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Read the first time April 26, 2012.

**THE COMMITTEE ON**

**INVITATIONS AND MEMORIAL RESOLUTIONS**

To whom was referred a Concurrent Resolution (H. 5178) to request that the Department of Transportation name the portion of West Springdale Road in York County from its intersection with Firetower Road to its intersection with Lesslie Highway in memory of Eric, etc., respectfully

**REPORT:**

That they have duly and carefully considered the same and recommend that the same do pass:

LISTON D. BARFIELD for Committee.

**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO REQUEST THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME THE PORTION OF WEST SPRINGDALE ROAD IN YORK COUNTY FROM ITS INTERSECTION WITH FIRETOWER ROAD TO ITS INTERSECTION WITH LESSLIE HIGHWAY IN MEMORY OF ERIC LESSMEISTER AND ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS ALONG THIS HIGHWAY THAT CONTAIN THE WORDS “IN MEMORY OF ERIC LESSMEISTER, ‘ONCE A BEARCAT, ALWAYS A BEARCAT’”.

Whereas, Mr. Eric G. Lessmeister began his teaching and coaching career in Florence, South Carolina, in 1969; and

Whereas, in 1971, he was employed at Rock Hill High School as a teacher/coach, became an assistant principal/coach in 1974, was named an assistant principal in 1977, and principal in 1979; and

Whereas, he retired in 1999, with thirty years of outstanding service as an educator and role model in the state’s public school system; and

Whereas, Mr. Lessmeister was a recipient of the Order of the Palmetto, the highest honor bestowed upon a South Carolina citizen, for his dedication to public education; and

Whereas, it would be fitting and proper to name a portion of a highway in York County in his memory. Now, therefore,

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

That the members of the General Assembly request that the Department of Transportation name the portion of West Springdale Road in York County from its intersection with Firetower Road to its intersection with Lesslie Highway in memory of Eric Lessmeister and erect appropriate markers or signs along this highway that contain the words “In memory of Eric Lessmeister, ‘Once a Bearcat, Always a Bearcat’”.

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

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