**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND COMMEND ALFRED SCHRELL MCFADDEN, PRINCIPAL OF MARION HIGH SCHOOL, UPON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT AFTER THIRTY‑THREE YEARS OF OUTSTANDING SERVICE AS AN EDUCATOR, AND TO WISH HIM CONTINUED SUCCESS AND HAPPINESS IN ALL HIS FUTURE ENDEAVORS.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina Senate are pleased to honor Alfred Schrell McFadden for his dedicated service to education in the Palmetto State as he begins his well‑deserved retirement; and

Whereas, a native of Elliott nestled in the state’s Santee Lynches region, Alfred McFadden graduated from Mount Pleasant High School in 1975 and then earned a bachelor’s in music education in 1979 from Virginia State University in Petersburg, Virginia; and

Whereas, he began his career in education in 1980 at Ashwood Central School as a band and music teacher, and a year later he began six years in the same position at Bishopville Middle School. During those years, he also served as the music teacher of Lower Lee Elementary School from 1981 to 1983 and as the music and band teacher at West Lee Primary School from 1983 to 1987; and

Whereas, in 1987, he received a master’s in education administration from the University of South Carolina and from 1987 to 1988 he served as a principal intern and assistant principal of Bennettsville High and Primary schools; and

Whereas, from 1988 to 1994, Mr. McFadden served as principal of Southside School in Marion, and from 1994 to 1997, he served Marion School District One as the director of personnel; and

Whereas, since 1997, he has served Marion High School with distinction as the principal, meriting accolades for the students, the school, and himself; and

Whereas, during his tenure at Marion High School, he has mentored countless students and served as a mentor/internship supervisor for many aspiring administrators in the Marion School District, and the school has garnered four Palmetto Gold/Silver Awards and three SAT/ACT Performance Awards; and

Whereas, Mr. McFadden’s numerous awards as an educator include the South Carolina Athletic Administrators Association’s State Class AA Principal of the Year for his outstanding dedication to high school athletics and the State Board of Education and State Department of Education’s Magna Cum Laude ACT/SAT Performance Improvement (ASPI) Award for achievement and gain on the 2011‑2012 ACT test and Summa Cum Laude Award for achievement and gain on the 2011‑2012 SAT test; and

Whereas, a devoted member of the St. Paul United Methodist Church in Elliott, he has faithfully served the congregation as the musician and pianist since 1974; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina Senate are grateful for the years of dedication that Alfred McFadden has devoted to education and wish him many years of enjoyment in his well‑earned retirement. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, recognize and commend Alfred Schrell McFadden, principal of Marion High School, upon the occasion of his retirement after thirty‑three years of outstanding service as an educator, and wish him continued success and happiness in all his future endeavors.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to Alfred Schrell McFadden.

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