**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE JOHN W. JENRETTE, JR., OF HORRY COUNTY FOR HIS MANY YEARS OF PUBLIC SERVICE IN LOCAL, STATE, AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.

Whereas, John W. Jenrette, Jr., has spent much of his life in the arena of public service on behalf of the people of South Carolina; and

Whereas, born in Horry County, the Myrtle Beach resident earned his L.L.B. at the University of South Carolina School of Law in 1962. He opened a private law practice in Ocean Drive Beach (now North Myrtle Beach), accepting as payment from his first client a bushel of fresh oysters; and

Whereas, John Jenrette’s public service includes duties as a city judge for North Myrtle Beach (1962‑65), city attorney for North Myrtle Beach (1965‑69), member of the South Carolina House of Representatives (1964‑1972), and United States Congressman for South Carolina (1975‑1980); and

Whereas, during his service as a member of the South Carolina House of Representatives, he initiated the movement to purchase the former Columbia Post Office building and transform it into a home for the South Carolina Supreme Court. The finished project became a beautiful addition to Columbia’s government complex, one that today’s South Carolinians continue to enjoy; and

Whereas, he was elected Freshman Majority Whip during his service in the United States Congress and was the founder and first chair of the U.S. Congressional Travel and Tourism Caucus. The many tasks he completed during his years in Congress include negotiating with Idi Amin, a friend of Iran, for release of American hostages; and

Whereas, married to Rosemary, John Jenrette is the proud father of two fine children, Elizabeth Jenrette Teal and Hal Hampton Jenrette, as well as the delighted grandfather of Tradd and Beau Teal; and

Whereas, today, John Jenrette keeps active pursuing several interests, among them following local political campaigns, gardening, writing his memoirs, and staying healthy and happy. These activities provide him with a sense of fulfillment and accomplishment as he sets new goals for himself in the days ahead. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, recognize John W. Jenrette, Jr., for his many years of public service in local, state, and federal government.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to John W. Jenrette, Jr.

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