**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO EXPRESS THE CONGRATULATIONS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO ED PIOTROWSKI, A BELOVED MEDIA FIGURE IN THE PALMETTO STATE, ON COMPLETION OF TWENTY‑FIVE YEARS’ SERVICE WITH WPDE‑TV IN FLORENCE AND TO WISH HIM CONTINUED SUCCESS IN AN OUTSTANDING CAREER IN BROADCASTING.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives are delighted to note that 2019 marks the twenty‑fifth anniversary of Ed Piotrowski’s joining WPDE‑TV in Florence, where this highly respected media personality serves as ABC 15’s chief meteorologist; and

Whereas, in preparation for his career, Ed earned his bachelor’s degree in meteorology magna cum laude from North Carolina State University, and he holds the esteemed American Meteorological Society Seal of Approval. He has spent his entire twenty‑eight‑year broadcast career in the coastal Carolinas; and

Whereas, during his quarter century in South Carolina, Ed has been named Best Weathercaster in the State three times by the South Carolina Broadcasters Association and Best of the Beach sixteen years in a row. In addition, he was the recipient of the 2019 John Coleman Award, which recognizes the nation’s most outstanding broadcast meteorologist for his or her work before, during, and after a hurricane. Ed won for his coverage of Hurricane Florence in 2018. He was also nominated for the National Hurricane Center’s award for outstanding efforts to educate and inform the public about hurricanes and hurricane preparedness; and

Whereas, in addition to his broadcasting duties with WPDE, Ed Piotrowski is involved in numerous activities around the State. Each year, he speaks to thousands of people at various schools, churches, civic groups, charity functions, and festivals. His extensive knowledge of tropical weather and eagerness to speak to the community enable him to keep his viewers fully aware of potentially dangerous weather situations; and

Whereas, the House takes great pleasure in recognizing the celebrated career of so distinguished a South Carolinian, and the members wish him the best in all his future endeavors. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, express their congratulations to Ed Piotrowski, a beloved media figure in the Palmetto State, on completion of twenty‑five years’ service with WPDE‑TV in Florence and wish him continued success in an outstanding career in broadcasting.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Ed Piotrowski.

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