**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO EXPRESS THE PROFOUND SORROW OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES UPON THE PASSING OF THE HONORABLE DAVID C. WALDROP, JR., AND TO EXTEND THE DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO HIS FAMILY AND MANY FRIENDS.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives were deeply saddened by the passing of the Honorable David C. Waldrop, Jr., of Newberry, on September 13, 2020, at the venerable age of seventy‑six; and

Whereas, born on November 23, 1943, in Newberry, David Waldrop was the son of the late David C. Waldrop, Sr., and Jewel Ellenberg Waldrop. The young Dave graduated from Kings College, where he earned a bachelor’s degree in business administration; and

Whereas, from 1981 until 1997, Dave Waldrop served in the South Carolina House of Representatives, where he led the Medical, Military, Public and Municipal Affairs Committee as chairman; and

Whereas, because he strongly believed in active community involvement, he put his convictions into action by serving his own community in various capacities. From 1972 to 1975, Mr. Waldrop served on Newberry County Council. In addition, for more than thirty years he was on the Newberry County Council on Aging, which he served as chairman. In recognition of his service to the well‑being of area senior citizens, in 1994 the Dave C. Waldrop Senior Center was named in his honor; and

Whereas, further, he was a member of the Silverstreet Fire Department and a former member of the Silverstreet Young Farmers. He was a member of Amity Lodge No. 87 and the Hejaz Shrine Temple. A Clemson fan, he was an IPTAY member for over fifty years; and

Whereas, as a man of faith, he was a member of Trinity United Methodist Church, where he was chairman of the church’s administrative council and a member of the Men’s Club of Trinity; and

Whereas, this faithful public servant and his wife opened their home for many community events over the years; and

Whereas, Dave Waldrop leaves to cherish his memory his wife, Debbie Smith Waldrop; his daughters, Jaime (Bob Shirey) VanZadelhoff of Newberry and Whitney (Harry) Cromer of Chapin; his nephews and nieces, Craig (Frieda) Kesler, Keely (Lou) DeMarino, and Clay (Kimberly) Smith; his grandchildren, David VanZadelhoff, Julia Collins Cromer, and Harrison Cromer; a great‑nephew, Barry (Abby) Kesler; a great‑niece, Melynda (John) Gunter; and a goddaughter, Jessica Coggins Dahman; and

Whereas, the people of South Carolina were made better by the influence of David Waldrop and will greatly miss his impactful presence. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, express profound sorrow upon the passing of the Honorable David C. Waldrop, Jr., and extend the deepest sympathy to his family and many friends.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Mrs. Debbie Smith Waldrop for the family.

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