**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO EXPRESS THE PROFOUND SORROW OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY UPON THE DEATH OF LEON ALLEN LOVE, SR. AND TO EXTEND THE DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO HIS FAMILY AND MANY FRIENDS.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina General Assembly were deeply saddened to learn of the recent death of Leon Allen Love, Sr., on March 13, 2016, at the venerable age of sixty seven; and

Whereas, born in York to Leon and Zelder Love, Leon Love was the eldest of their nine children; and

Whereas, in preparation for his life’s work, Mr. Love earned a bachelor of science degree in social sciences from Claflin College and pursued graduate studies both at the University of South Carolina and Webster University; and

Whereas, evidencing a lifelong commitment to building families and promoting high self‑esteem, Mr. Love worked for the South Carolina Department of Social Services for over thirty years and eventually retired from South Carolina First Steps to School Readiness, where he was instrumental in building the infrastructure of local partnership boards in all forty‑six counties; and

Whereas, Mr. Love served with distinction as chairperson and vice chairperson of the South Carolina African‑American Heritage Commission, where he championed the importance of identifying, recording, and preserving the African American experience in South Carolina; and

Whereas, Mr. Loves leaves to cherish his memory his beloved wife, Faye Sanders Love; son, Leon Allen Love II; daughter, Kimberly Love (Martin) Quick; grandchildren, Jordan W. and Kymani N. Quick; three sisters and six brothers; and other loving relatives and friends. He will be greatly missed by all who had the privilege of knowing him. Now, therefore,

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

That the members of the South Carolina General Assembly, by this resolution, express their profound sorrow upon the death of Leon Allen Love, Sr. and extend the deepest sympathy to his family and many friends.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to Mrs. Faye Sanders Love for the family.

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