**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO REQUEST THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME THE BRIDGE ON OLD RIVER ROAD THAT CROSSES BARFIELD MILL CREEK IN FLORENCE COUNTY “WILLIAM CLYDE GRAHAM BRIDGE” AND TO ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS AT THIS LOCATION CONTAINING THE DESIGNATION.

Whereas, William Clyde Graham was born on December 31, 1897 in Coward, Florence County, son of W. Watson and Knit Emma (Matthews) Graham of Lake City. He graduated from Clemson College in 1918 with a Bachelor of Science and attended Plattsburg ROTC Camp in June and July of 1918; and

Whereas, William Clyde Graham moved to Pamplico in 1923. He taught vocational agriculture at Batesburg, Coward, and Pamplico. Throughout his life, he enjoyed a long and varied career, serving his community and the State as bookkeeper, accountant, director of First National Bank in Florence, farmer, breeder of registered Jersey cattle, and manager of DeWitts Bluff Farms; and

Whereas, a distinguished legislator, William Clyde Graham served in the South Carolina House of Representatives from 1935 to 1938 and from 1941 to 1948 and in the South Carolina Senate from 1951 to 1967, representing District No. 11 and Florence County as a Democrat; and

Whereas, William Clyde Graham married Marguerite Hyman of Pamplico on November 30, 1922; and

Whereas, it would be fitting and proper to pay tribute to the accomplishments and public service of this son of South Carolina by naming a bridge in Florence County in his honor. Now, therefore,

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

That the members of the General Assembly, by this resolution, request the Department of Transportation name the bridge on Old River Road that crosses Barfield Mill Creek in Florence County “William Clyde Graham Bridge” and erect appropriate markers or signs at this location containing the designation.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Department of Transportation.

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