**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE DR. DAVID LONGSHORE, JR., FORMER SUPERINTENDENT OF ORANGEBURG COUNTY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT THREE, AND TO CONGRATULATE HIM ON THE RENAMING OF THE LAKE MARION HIGH SCHOOL GYMNASIUM IN HIS HONOR.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina Senate are pleased to learn that the Lake Marion High School gymnasium will be renamed in honor of Dr. David Longshore, Jr.; and

Whereas, a native of Newberry, David Longshore graduated from the former Gallman High School and earned a bachelor’s degree in mathematics and a master’s degree in education both from South Carolina State University; and

Whereas, he also earned another master’s degree in mathematics and a doctorate in secondary mathematics education both from the University of South Carolina; and

Whereas, in the proud tradition of South Carolina, Dr. Longshore, a Vietnam War veteran, served in the United States Army with distinction; and

Whereas, he received specialty training in pay and disbursing at Fort Benjamin Harrison in Indianapolis, Indiana, and completed the School Leadership Executive Institute at the Center for Creative Leadership in Greensboro, North Carolina; the South Carolina Diversity Leaders Initiative at the Riley Institute at Furman University in Greenville; and the Basic Program in Economic Development at the College of Charleston; and

Whereas, Dr. Longshore taught as a graduate assistant at Felton Laboratory School and served as a mathematics teacher at Edisto Middle School. Before assuming duties as superintendent of the former Orangeburg School District Three in July 1988, he served one year as principal of Holly Hill Elementary and seven years as principal at Holly Hill‑Roberts High School; and

Whereas, Dr. Longshore also was a mathematics teacher for the High School Equivalency Program at South Carolina State University and assistant professor of mathematics at Claflin University, as well as serving on review panels for American College Testing (ACT); and

Whereas, when Orangeburg County consolidated its eight school districts into three in 1997, Dr. Longshore was appointed superintendent of Orangeburg County Consolidated School District Three, from which he retired in June 2009; and

Whereas, in order to allay concerns about inequities in educational opportunities in the new district, he performed a curriculum audit and asked the South Carolina Department of Education to conduct a facilities study which ascertained immediate needs. He encouraged a bond referendum to fund the construction of Lake Marion High School and Technology Center to meet those needs; and

Whereas, he has served his community as president of Lake Marion Rotary Club, Tri‑County Regional Chamber of Commerce, South Carolina Association of School Administrators (SCASA); and the Superintendents’ Division of SCASA; and

Whereas, Dr. Longshore has served on the Board of Visitors for the Medical University of South Carolina and the South Carolina State Board of Education and currently serves as vice president of Edisto Federal Credit Union; and

Whereas, his numerous honors include being named the 1996 South Carolina Superintendent of the Year and Director of the Year for the Tri‑County Regional Chamber of Commerce (TCRCC) in 2000, and he was awarded the William B. Harley Lifetime Achievement Award from SCASA in 2006; and

Whereas, together with his beloved wife, Thomasina, he reared three fine daughters, who have blessed their parents with the affection of five grandchildren; and

Whereas, the South Carolina Senate is deeply grateful for the years of service that David Longshore has given to the nation and to the Palmetto State in securing quality educations to prepare our youth for meaningful contributions to society. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution recognize Dr. David Longshore, Jr., former superintendent of Orangeburg County Consolidated School District Three, and congratulate him on the renaming of the Lake Marion High School gymnasium in his honor.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Dr. David Longshore, Jr.

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