**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO REQUEST THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME THE PORTION OF MARK ROAD IN DILLON COUNTY FROM ITS INTERSECTION WITH BLACK BRANCH ROAD TO ITS INTERSECTION WITH UNITED STATES HIGHWAY 301 “REVEREND JOHN L. BRYANT, JR. HIGHWAY” AND ERECT APPROPRIATE SIGNS OR MARKERS ALONG THIS PORTION OF HIGHWAY CONTAINING THESE WORDS.

Whereas, Reverend John Loris Bryant, Jr., was born on February 5, 1940, the son of John Loris Bryant, Sr., and Margaret Belle Johnson Bryant; and

Whereas, a son of a sharecropper, he contracted polio at the age of three, but he proved to be determined at an early age; and

Whereas, in 1974, he was called by God into the ministry and has pastored Dillon Congregational Holiness Church in Dillon County since that time. Under his leadership the church has grown from worshipping in a store‑front building to a facility that includes a sanctuary, children’s church, gymnasium, and other buildings. Its value exceeds one million dollars; and

Whereas, Reverend Bryant and his wife, Sarah Ray Bryant, have been blessed with three children, five grandchildren, and three great‑grandchildren; and

Whereas, at the age of eighty, he continues to preach and pray with those who desire to be saved; and

Whereas, it would be fitting and proper to name a portion of Mark Road in Dillon County in honor of this great man of God. Now, therefore,

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

That the members of the South Carolina General Assembly request the Department of Transportation name the portion of Mark Road in Dillon County from its intersection with Black Branch Road to its intersection with United States Highway 301 “Reverend John L. Bryant, Jr. Highway” and erect appropriate signs or markers along this portion of highway containing these words.

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

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