**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO EXPRESS THE PROFOUND SORROW OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES UPON THE PASSING OF THE HONORABLE EDGAR HENDERSON LONG, JR., OF ANDERSON 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 Edgar Henderson Long, Jr., of Anderson on January 15, 2021, at the age of sixty‑six; and

Whereas, born in Anderson on March 3, 1954, Judge Long was the only child of the late Edgar Henderson Long, Sr., and the late Martha Abernethy Long. Educated in the public schools of Due West, he graduated in the Erskine College Class of 1976, after which he earned his Master of Public Administration. He received his Juris Doctor degree from the University of South Carolina School of Law in 1981 and was admitted to the South Carolina Bar that same year; and

Whereas, Judge Long began his legal career with Legal Services Agency of Western Carolina, where he served two years. He then began work for the Tenth Circuit Solicitor’s Office, assigned primarily to Family Court. Following his work with the law office of Chapman, King and Byrholdt, he began his private law practice of Long & Smith. He worked as a solo practitioner from 2006 until he was elected in 2009 by the South Carolina General Assembly to serve as a Family Court Judge; and

Whereas, Judge Long served in many local civic events, clubs, and charities. He was president of the Anderson Roadrunners Running Club, past director of the Midnight Flight Road Race, and past president of the Greater Anderson Musical Arts Consortium; and

Whereas, having an insatiable love of music, he attended hundreds of concerts and theater productions in his lifetime. He instilled this love and deep appreciation of music in his wife and children. He also had a deep love for *The Andy Griffith Show* and watched it daily. He enjoyed quoting many of the show’s famous lines, particularly those of Ernest T. Bass; and

Whereas, Judge Long leaves to cherish his memory his wife of forty‑five years, Amy Tripp Long; their two children, Amanda Long and Tripp Long (Brittany), all of Greenville; and a host of other family members and friends; and

Whereas, Judge Ed Long will always be remembered as a man of honor and integrity and as an advocate for children. The people of South Carolina were made better by his influence 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 Edgar Henderson Long, Jr., of Anderson 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. Amy Tripp Long for the family.

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