**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO EXPRESS THE SINCERE SORROW OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES UPON THE TRAGIC DEATH OF STEVEN HOLMES OF NORTH CHARLESTON AND TO EXTEND THEIR DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO HIS MANY FRIENDS AND LOVING FAMILY MEMBERS.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives were saddened to hear of the untimely death of Steven Holmes of North Charleston on February 13, 2021, at the age of twenty‑eight; and

Whereas, born on May 12, 1992, in Charleston, Steven was a barber, former police officer, and part‑time security guard. On February 13, 2021, working as a security guard, Steven lost his life in the line of duty, heroically saving the lives of two other people by shielding them with his body while he was being shot multiple times; and

Whereas, Steven loved his career as a barber and always had a passion for law enforcement. He enjoyed working out at the gym with his friends, playing chess, and spending time with his brothers. He was a hard worker, an optimist, and a selfless and loving gentleman; and

Whereas, as a man with a big heart and a strong sense of loyalty, he touched so many lives. He was compassionate and always fought for fairness; and

Whereas, Steven Holmes leaves to cherish his memory his mother, Yvonne Grover; his father, John Holmes; his brothers, Jacob Holmes and Gregory Holmes; and a host of other family members and friends; and

Whereas, although no words can adequately express the grief that follows the loss of such a fine young man, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives are grateful to learn that Steven Holmes was a loving son, brother, and friend to all he knew and that his life and heroic sacrifice will be remembered and honored by many. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, express their sincere sorrow upon the tragic death of Steven Holmes of North Charleston and extend their deepest sympathy to his many friends and loving family members.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Yvonne Grover for the family.

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