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Committee Report

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The committee on House Invitations and Memorial Resolutions

To who was referred a Concurrent Resolution (H.4257) to request the Department of Transportation name the portion of Howard Street in the Lexington County Town of Batesburg-Leesville from its intersection with South, etc., respectfully

Report:

That they have duly and carefully considered the same, and recommend that the same do pass:

DENNIS MOSS for Committee.

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A concurrent RESOLUTION

TO REQUEST THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME THE PORTION OF HOWARD STREET IN THE LEXINGTON COUNTY TOWN OF BATESBURG-LEESVILLE FROM ITS INTERSECTION WITH SOUTH PINE STREET (UNITED STATES HIGHWAY 178) TO ITS INTERSECTION WITH SOUTH OAK STREET “CORINE JOHNSON WAY” AND ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS ALONG THIS PORTION OF HIGHWAY CONTAINING THESE WORDS.

Whereas, Corine Johnson, daughter of the late Minnie Houston and Johnny Myers, was born March 14, 1927; and

Whereas, a lifelong resident a Batesburg‑Leesville, she graduated from high school in 1945, overcoming looming deficiencies in the educational opportunities available to African Americans at that time; and

Whereas, at the age of eighteen, she married her sweetheart, Nathaniel Johnson, who three days later answered the nation’s call for service during World War II, separating them for a year; and

Whereas, a woman with incredible work ethic, Mrs. Johnson at one time held down four jobs, all while taking care of a new husband; and

Whereas, not dissuaded by a lack of tuition to fulfill her dreams, Mrs. Johnson’s interest in hair led her to cosmetology school in Columbia; and

Whereas, enduring racial segregation and in spite of ill treatment of Blacks during the Jim Crow era, she completed beauty school, becoming a business owner and hairstylist for some seventy one years; and

Whereas, a lady of true distinction, Mrs. Johnson became a mentor, an advisor, and an advocate for hundreds; and

Whereas, a Christian woman of faith, Mrs. Johnson is a mother, sister, aunt, best friend, and a genuine lady with a large loving heart; and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper that the members of the South Carolina General Assembly recognize Mrs. Corine Johnson for her dedicated and selfless service to the community by naming a portion of Howard Street in the Town of Batesburg‑Leesville in her honor. Now, therefore,

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

That the members of the South Carolina General Assembly, by this resolution, request the Department of Transportation name the portion of Howard Street in the Lexington County Town of Batesburg‑Leesville from its intersection with South Pine Street (United States Highway 178) to its intersection with South Oak Street “Corine Johnson Way” and erect appropriate markers or signs along this portion of highway containing this designation.

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

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