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SENATE MEMORIAL RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, Representative Stanley Jack "Stan" Berry, formerly of Dover, Arkansas, passed away on Monday, March 23, 2026, at the age of seventy-one (71); and

WHEREAS, Representative Berry was born on May 20, 1954, in Dover, Arkansas, to Jack Berry and Elaine Churchill Berry; and

WHEREAS, Representative Berry had a life defined by public service, serving in the National Guard and on the Dover School Board, the Dover City Council, the Tri-County Water Commission, and the Pope County 911 Board; and

WHEREAS, Representative Berry was a member of the Dover Lions Club for



more than thirty-seven (37) years, where he was a charter member and a Melvin Jones Fellow, and where he served in numerous roles to support Dover schools; and

WHEREAS, Representative Berry was known for his strong impact on his local community, for which he was honored as Citizen of the Year and presented with the Good Samaritan Award by the Dover Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, Representative Berry was noted for his faith and was a member of Dover Cumberland Presbyterian Church, where he served as an elder; and

WHEREAS, Representative Berry served the people of his local community and his state through his extended service as a legislator, first serving as a representative for District Forty-Four (44) from 2003 until 2007, and later returning to serve his district again from 2019 until his passing in 2026; and

WHEREAS, Representative Berry served on many committees while a member of the House of Representatives, including the Joint Committee on Military and Veteran Affairs, the House Committee on Public Transportation, the House Committee on State Agencies and Governmental Affairs, and the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee during the Ninety-Fifth General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, Representative Berry had a strong history of leadership during his time in the House of Representatives, where he served as chair or vice-chair of numerous committees, including Vice Chair of the House Committee on Judiciary during the Ninety-Fourth General Assembly and Chair of the House Juvenile Justice and Child Support Subcommittee and Chair of the Committee on Educational Institutions of the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee during the Ninety-Third General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, Representative Berry was known for his kindness and his deep desire to help those around him, whether they were his fellow lawmakers, his constituents, his family, or the community that he called home; and

WHEREAS, Representative Berry demonstrated an enduring passion for the

support of education, advocating throughout his career both for schools such as Dover High School, home to his beloved Dover Pirates, and for educators, such as his wife and daughters, who dedicated their careers to schools; and

WHEREAS, Representative Berry is survived by his wife of more than thirty (30) years, Mona Berry, by his children, Blake Berry, Casey Taylor, Justin Singleton, and Kelsey Scott, and by his nine (9) grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, the people of District Forty-Four (44) and the State of Arkansas are fortunate to have been served by Representative Berry in his capacity as a member of the House of Representatives,

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

THAT the Senate remember Representative Stanley Jack "Stan" Berry and recognize his numerous contributions to the State of Arkansas and to his local community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon adoption of this resolution, an appropriate copy be provided to Mona Berry and family by the Secretary of the Senate.