



A RESOLUTION OF THE CHARLESTON COUNTY AVIATION AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Whereas, Ernest Fitzgerald "Fritz" Hollings was born in Charleston, SC, on January 1, 1922, the son of the late Adolph Gevert Hollings, Sr. and Wilhelmine Dorothea Meyer; and,

Whereas, Fritz Hollings graduated from The Citadel in 1942, and received his law degree from the University of South Carolina in 1947 and began practicing law in Charleston thereafter; and,

Whereas, following his graduation from The Citadel, Hollings served as an officer in the U.S. Army's 353rd and 457th Artillery units from 1942 to 1945, during World War II, and was awarded the Bronze Star for meritorious service in direct support of combat operations from December 13, 1944, to May 1, 1945, in France and Germany. He received the European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal with five Bronze Service Stars for participation in the Tunisia, Southern France, Rome-Arno, and Central Europe Campaigns; and,

Whereas, Fritz Hollings was the widower of the late Rita Liddy "Peatsy" Hollings, and the father of four children from a previous marriage: Michael Hollings, Ernest F. "Fritzie" Hollings III, Helen Hayne Reardon, and Salley Hollings, who preceded him in death in 2003; and several grandchildren; and,

Whereas, Hollings was elected to and served three terms in the South Carolina House of Representatives from 1949-1954 where was elected by his peers as the House Speaker *Pro Tempore* in 1951 and 1953. He was subsequently elected Lieutenant Governor of the State of South Carolina in 1954 and Governor of the State of South Carolina in 1958, serving in that office until 1963. Fritz Hollings was elected to the US Senate in November 1966 and served there for 38 years, until 2004; and,

Whereas, Senator Ernest "Fritz" Hollings fought long and hard to improve the Charleston International Airport and services to the airport, fighting for lower air fares for CHS, chiding airlines and witness after witness in hearings about airfares and the lack of service to CHS over his career; and,

Whereas, Senator Hollings protected CHS access as a small community to Washington Reagan National Airport, fought for and secured funding for our parking facility, held the first hearing ever at CHS on the need for air service, created airport grant programs that helped Joint Use facilities, like CHS, fought to protect the integrity of the Airport and Airways Trust Fund, the fund that supports our airport, and crafted a range of programs within the Airport Improvement Program that helped CHS expand and grow; and,

Whereas, after 9-11, Hollings led the effort to get the aviation system back on its feet, driving the creation of a new security regime for CHS and the nation; and,

Whereas; Ernest Fitzgerald "Fritz" Hollings entered into eternal rest on April 6, 2019.

Now, therefore, we, the duly constituted Board of the Charleston County Aviation Authority, do hereby resolve, on this 18th day of April, 2019, to rename the terminal at the Charleston International Airport the **Ernest F. "Fritz" Hollings Terminal** in honor and in memory of a lifetime of dedicated service to the Charleston area, the State of South Carolina, and the United States of America.

R. Walter Hundley
Chairman