

**SOUTH CAROLINA AERONAUTICS COMMISSION
DESIGNATION AS COMMISSIONER EMERITUS**

WHEREAS, The South Carolina Aeronautics Commission desires to honor IRA E. "BUD" COWARD for his lifetime of service to aviation in South Carolina, and more specifically, his extraordinary service to the South Carolina Aeronautics Commission, and

WHEREAS, he served on the South Carolina Aeronautics Commission as Executive Director from February 1999 through February 2004, and

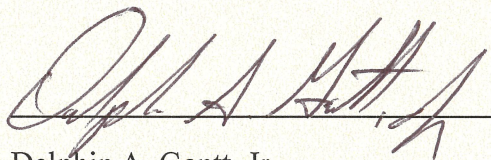
WHEREAS, he was elected to serve on the South Carolina Aeronautics Commission to represent the third Congressional District from February 2008 through August 2012 and served as Vice Chairman during this period from the time span of July 2011 through August 2012, and

WHEREAS, he was elected and served again on the South Carolina Aeronautics Commission from January 2015 through May 2019, representing the second Congressional District by appointment from Governor Nikki Haley, and

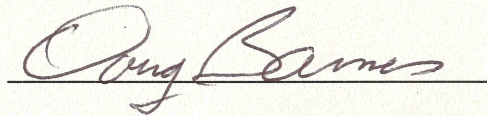
WHEREAS, he was recognized and inducted into the South Carolina Aviation Association Hall of Fame on February 16, 2023.

WHEREAS, he has served the airports of South Carolina and the citizens at large through his numerous charitable activities, and through his extraordinary efforts to further aviation commerce and aviation interest in South Carolina.

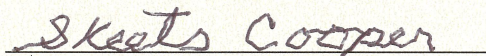
THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the lifetime designation of the title of COMMISSIONER EMERITUS is hereby endowed to IRA E. "BUD" COWARD, as the second recipient of such designation, such action is unanimously approved on this 21st day of May 2024.



Delphin A. Gantt, Jr.
Chairman



Doug Barnes
Vice Chairman/District 5 Commissioner



Skeets Cooper
District 3 Commissioner

