

RESOLUTION NO. R-2026-12

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE USE OF CITY-OWNED PROPERTY LOCATED
AT 425 E. CURTIS ST. FOR RELOCATION AND INSTALLATION OF THE DR.
LAWRENCE LAFAYETTE RICHARDSON STATUE**

WHEREAS, The City of Simpsonville, SC recognizes Dr. Lawrence Lafayette Richardson (July 23, 1867- August 9, 1958) for his decades of service and leadership in Simpsonville.

WHEREAS, Dr. Richardson served the community as Mayor for the Town of Simpsonville from 1917-1923 and 1928-1958; physician in Simpsonville for 64 years; and Chairman of Simpsonville School Board for 20 years.

WHEREAS, in recognition of Dr. Richardson's accomplishments and service to the City, the City wishes to relocate and permanently display the 2002 family-commissioned statue to Gracely Park to be prominently displayed outside in front of The Ellipse, i.e. Council Chambers, and East Curtis Street.

WHEREAS, The City has received verbal support for the new location from Dr. Richardson's family.

WHEREAS, the City has concluded the following regarding S.C. Code § 10-1-165:

1. The proposed relocation of the Statue is not prohibited by S.C. Code § 10-1-165.
2. The City possesses lawful authority under its general police powers and property management authority to relocate and reinstall the Statue.
3. The action authorized herein constitutes a valid exercise of municipal authority for a legitimate public purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, Simpsonville City Council, does hereby authorize the use of City-owned property located at 425 E. Curtis St. for the installation of Dr. Lawrence Lafayette Richardson statue.

CITY OF SIMPSONVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA

BY: Paul Shewmaker

Paul Shewmaker, Mayor

ATTEST:

Justin Campbell

Justin Campbell, Municipal Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Daniel Hughes

Daniel Hughes, City Attorney