**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE MUNGO COMPANIES OF RICHLAND COUNTY FOR ALMOST SIXTY YEARS OF SERVICE IN HOME BUILDING, AND TO CONGRATULATE THEM FOR BEING NAMED THE 2012 AMERICA’S BEST BUILDER.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives are pleased to learn that the Mungo Companies have been named America’s Best Builder for 2012 by *Builder* magazine; and

Whereas, every year the America’s Best Builder award honors the best new home builders in the country, based on overall achievement in housing and excellence in finance and operations, design and construction, customer service and quality, service to the community and to the industry, and marketing; and

Whereas, the Mungo Companies were selected as America’s Best Builder in the category with the highest number of closings; and

Whereas, America’s Best Builders are selected from an open call of entries, reviewed by a panel of industry experts, and highlighted in the March issue of *Builder* magazine, the official trade publication of the home‑building industry; and

Whereas, the Mungo family started building new homes in Columbia in 1954 and has maintained a proven record of success based on quality, value, and integrity; and

Whereas, the Mungo Companies include three building enterprises: Mungo Homes, Sovereign Homes, and Harbor Homes, which build new homes in seven markets across North Carolina, South Carolina, and Georgia; and

Whereas, in today’s difficult economic climate, the Mungo Companies have enjoyed financial security and stability that has eluded many home builders; and

Whereas, the home‑building industry’s highest national honor, the National Housing Quality Award, was awarded to the Mungo Companies in 2008, the only South Carolina‑based builder ever honored with this prestigious award; and

Whereas, the Mungo Companies were recently named the thirty‑fifth largest builder in the country by *Builder* magazine; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives are grateful for the significant impact that the Mungo Companies have made on the statewide housing industry and for the pride and recognition they have brought to the Palmetto State. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, recognize and honor the Mungo Companies of Richland County for almost sixty years of service in home building, and congratulate them for being named the 2012 America’s Best Builder.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to Steven Mungo, CEO of the Mungo Companies.

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