**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR MRS. MARGARET “PEGGY” HACKETT OF SUMTER COUNTY FOR HER OUTSTANDING COMMUNITY SERVICE AND TO WISH HER WELL AS SHE CONTINUES TO SERVE THE PEOPLE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

Whereas, it is with great pleasure that the South Carolina House of Representatives honors individuals who freely give of their time and resources for the good of others; and

Whereas, Mrs. Margaret “Peggy” Hackett of Sumter County has contributed valuable community service to the citizens of the Palmetto State and is thereby worthy of praise; and

Whereas, born August 16, 1935, in New Jersey, Peggy Hackett was raised in an orphanage in that state from age nine to age eighteen. At eighteen, she began full‑time work seven days a week at various jobs, ultimately at a rehabilitation facility for surgical patients; and

Whereas, in 1955, the young Peggy married her dear husband, John Hackett. The devoted Peggy now visits him regularly at a local nursing home, where he is cared for in the Alzheimer’s ward. She has proven herself a real blessing to John’s fellow patients and their families in many ways. Taking treats with her on her visits, for example, she knows what each patient can safely eat; and

Whereas, as a woman of faith, she serves Bethel United Methodist Church of Oswego in numerous capacities. Among other commitments at her church, she is in charge of scheduling volunteer nursery workers each Sunday and makes sure the nursery and its supplies are sterile. An active member of her Sunday school class, Peggy Hackett also assists with church fundraisers and keeps up with church members, especially the sick. She sends each member a birthday card in the church’s name, taking no credit for this or any of her varied ministries; and

Whereas, her fellow church members describe her as a “living angel”‑‑always thinking of others and seeking to make life better for them, especially the ladies of the church; and

Whereas, a tremendous asset to the community in spite of a multiplicity of health and other life challenges, she never lets these difficulties get in her way and cheerfully demonstrates through her attitude and deeds how to live fully and productively; and

Whereas, the members of the House of Representatives recognize that the success of the State of South Carolina, the strength of its communities, and the vitality of American society as a whole depend, in great measure, upon the dedication of individuals like Mrs. Peggy Hackett who use their talents and resources to serve others. 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 Mrs. Margaret “Peggy” Hackett of Sumter County for her outstanding community service and wish her well as she continues to serve the people of South Carolina.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to Mrs. Peggy Hackett.

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