**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR LOU NOLAN FOR HER YEARS OF OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO THE REPUBLICAN PARTY IN THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina Senate are pleased to pause in their deliberations to commend Lou Nolan for her dedication to the GOP in the Palmetto State; and

Whereas, born in Kirk, West Virginia, she began her professional career in Commercial Real Estate and was involved in the development of several buildings, including Middleburgh Condominiums and Middleburgh Office Complex in Columbia; and

Whereas, she redirected her talents to serve as an airline executive with Atlantis Express in Florence for fourteen years, where she obtained her pilot’s license and instrument rating; and

Whereas, after the airline was sold in 1989 to Eastern Airlines, she moved back to Columbia and returned to commercial real estate with Wilson/Kibler and eventually into private real estate; and

Whereas, along with her successful and demanding career, she found time to earn a bachelor’s from the University of South Carolina in art history, which combined her passion for history with her love of art, and she now serves as a volunteer docent for the Columbia Museum of Art; and

Whereas, she has generously served her community, including service as president of Five Points Rotary and as assistant governor of District 7770 of Rotary in South Carolina from 2009 to 2012, and she is currently a member of the Greater Columbia Community Relations Council; and

Whereas, appointed by Governor Mark Sanford to the South Carolina State Museum Commission, she volunteers with the Providence Hospital Red Dress Campaign and is a member of the Riverbanks Society for the zoo and gardens; and

Whereas, her extensive involvement in politics has included service as chair and executive committeeman of the Richland County Republican Party, an alternate delegate at the 2008 National Republican Convention, and a member of the Capital City Republican Women’s Club and South Carolina Federation of Republican Women; and

Whereas, among her significant contributions to the GOP, she led Richland County’s successful efforts to raise the county’s fair share of the Milliken Challenge, and she initiated the Ivory Banquet as a fundraiser to kick‑off the party conventions; and

Whereas, she is married to University of South Carolina Professor Patrick D. Nolan and is a member of Trinity Episcopal Church in Columbia; and

Whereas, the South Carolina Senate appreciates the commitment and devoted service that Lou Nolan has given to the South Carolina Republican Party and wish her continued success as she works to strengthen the political culture in the State. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, recognize and honor Lou Nolan for her years of outstanding service to the Republican Party in the State of South Carolina.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Lou Nolan.

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