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**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE MARCH 14, 2017 AS “4‑H DAY” IN SOUTH CAROLINA AND TO COMMEND MS. CAREY HERNDON, STATE 4‑H TEEN COUNCIL PRESIDENT; DR. PAM ARDERN, STATE 4‑H PROGRAM LEADER; AND THE 2016‑2017 4‑H LEADERSHIP TEAM FOR THEIR NUMEROUS ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND FOR THE LEADERSHIP THAT THEY HAVE DEMONSTRATED.

Whereas, 4‑H is a community of young people across America dedicated to learning leadership, citizenship, and life skills; and

Whereas, South Carolina 4‑H operates under the land grant university system in the Clemson Cooperative Extension Service and has been offering programs to youth ages 5 to 19 since 1908; and

Whereas, South Carolina 4‑H has 92,000 members in six program areas: agriculture and animals, healthy lifestyles, leadership and citizenship, natural resources, personal development and science, and engineering and technology; and

Whereas, the leadership, dedication, and hard work of 2016‑2017 SC Teen Council members Carey Herndon, President; Wilson Pressley, Vice President; Bentley Pressley, Secretary; Geneffer Sweatman, Public Relations; Logan Moore, Legislative Liaison; Stephanie Aull and Lindsey Scott, Midlands Representatives; Timneisha Holmes, Savannah Valley Representative; and Jessica Simpson, Teen Council Advisor; and

Whereas, South Carolina members have achieved national recognition for their excellent record of accomplishments in citizenship and leadership. Carey Herndon, Morgan McManus, Micah Metts, and Andrew Owens will be honored in Washington, D.C. at the 2017 National 4‑H Conference; and

Whereas, Katherine Ellig, Allison Harman, Micah Metts, and Andrew Owens won the 2016 4‑H Presidential Tray Award; and

Whereas, Ian Adams, Ashlyn Whittemore, La’Terrica Springs, Nikole Rivers, Savanna Hill, Morgan McManus, Bailey Morgan, Geneffer Sweatman, and Carrie Trotter, as 4‑H Project Winners, were recognized at the 2016 National 4‑H Congress in Atlanta, Georgia; and

Whereas, Wilson Pressley was declared National Reserve Champion at the 2016 Eastern National 4‑H Horse Round‑Up; and

Whereas, Elizabeth Easler was selected as a team member of the National 4‑H Shooting Sports Ambassador Team; and

Whereas, Jeffery Feaster, T.J. Price, Grey Riley, MacKenzie Riley, Lindsey Scott, Geneffer Sweatman, Ashlyn Whittemore, and Garrett Ulmer were selected as award winners for Citizenship Washington Focus and attended the 2017 Presidential Inauguration in Washington D.C.; and

Whereas, the 2017 observance of “4-H Day” on March 14, 2017 provides an opportunity to recognize the 4-H organization for its valuable contributions to the State. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, recognize March 14, 2017 as “4‑H Day” in South Carolina and commend Ms. Carey Herndon, State 4‑H Teen Council President; Dr. Pam Ardern, State 4‑H Program Leader; and the 2016‑2017 4‑H Leadership Team for their numerous accomplishments and for the leadership that they have demonstrated.

Be it further resolved that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the Clemson University Cooperative Extension.

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