**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE THE WORK AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF SALUDA RIVER ACADEMY FOR THE ARTS OF LEXINGTON COUNTY AND TO CONGRATULATE THE FACULTY AND STAFF UPON THE TENTH ANNIVERSARY OF SERVING THE COMMUNITY WITH SUCH A DISTINCTIVE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina Senate take great pleasure in acknowledging the dedicated educators and administrators of Saluda River Academy for the Arts and the arts‑integrated education they provide to their community; and

Whereas, a Title I public elementary school in Lexington District 2, Saluda River Academy for the Arts is celebrating its tenth anniversary as an arts‑infused partial magnet school serving locally zoned students from a diverse income and ethnic background; and

Whereas, the imbedded arts‑education program provides four major components: direct arts instruction, arts integration, the artist‑in‑residence program, and a strong after‑school arts program; and

Whereas, all students receive weekly instruction in dance, drama, music, and visual arts taught buy a certified art‑teacher specialist as well as core curricular subjects with arts integration taught by certified arts and classroom teachers who work together on units of study; and

Whereas, each year students at the academy are exposed to four artists‑in‑residence for a weeklong, in‑depth experience with a professional guest artist; and

Whereas, the school offers after‑school options that include a chorus, a puppetry and a dance company, and a visual arts club as well as a variety of classes in keyboard, dance, drama, and visual arts; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina Senate are grateful for the contributions of the Saluda River Academy of the Arts and celebrate the ten years of impact the school has wielded on South Carolina’s students. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, recognize the work and accomplishments of Saluda River Academy for the Arts of Lexington County and congratulate the faculty and staff upon the tenth anniversary of serving the community with such a distinctive educational program.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to Principal Tonya Fryer of Saluda River Academy for the Arts.

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