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**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE WILLIAM “BILL” ARDREY, COMMISSIONER FOR THE LANCASTER SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT, ON BEING NAMED THE SOUTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION OF CONSERVATION DISTRICT’S 2010 OUTSTANDING COMMISSIONER OF THE YEAR.

Whereas, the South Carolina House of Representatives is pleased to learn that William “Bill” Ardrey, commissioner for the Lancaster Soil and Water Conservation District, has been named the South Carolina Association of Conservation District’s 2010 Outstanding Commissioner of the Year; and

Whereas, Mr. Ardrey received the award on January 26, 2011, at the 2011 Conservation Partnership Conference in Hilton Head; and

Whereas, each year conservation districts are asked to nominate a commissioner for supporting the local‑state‑federal conservation partnership in their county and for promoting conservation within the county; and

Whereas, having served faithfully on the board of his conservation district for thirty‑four years, Bill Ardrey has been a member of the District Operations Committee, Conservation Education Committee, Natural Resources Committee, Wildlife Management Committee, and Local Work Group for years; and

Whereas, through his countless hours of dedication to the board, the county, and the partnership, Mr. Ardrey encourages the citizens in Lancaster County to be good stewards of the land. He has also been active in the district’s Arbor Day Celebration, Conservation Contest winner’s recognition, Affiliate Member’s Award Program, and the Lancaster County 4‑H Natural Resources and Shooting Sports Camp. His willingness to serve and educate the public about natural resources is an excellent example of his dedication; and

Whereas, as a registered forester, Bill Ardrey has been involved in efforts to reestablish the longleaf pine ecosystem that once was predominant throughout South Carolina, and he makes his land available for tours to foresters and groups interested in longleaf silviculture. He has been in the tree‑planting business since 1972 and is responsible for planting more than two hundred thousand acres of trees; and

Whereas, his family‑owned company’s harvesting is done with strict adherence to South Carolina‑recommended best management practices, leaving buffers along streams to reduce sediment and serve as wildlife corridors. His company requires water bars on all logging roads and proper diversion of runoff and seeding on stream crossings. He also has assisted clients to implement their Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program contracts to benefit wildlife; and

Whereas, grateful for his commitment to conservation in the Palmetto State, the House of Representatives takes much pleasure in honoring Bill Ardrey on being added to that elite group of great conservationists who have been named the South Carolina Association of Conservation District’s Outstanding Commissioner of the Year. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, congratulate William “Bill” Ardrey, commissioner for the Lancaster Soil and Water Conservation District, on being named the South Carolina Association of Conservation District’s 2010 Outstanding Commissioner of the Year.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to Bill Ardrey.

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