**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO SUPPORT DONATE LIFE SOUTH CAROLINA AND LIFEPOINT’S LIFE-SAVING MISSION TO PROMOTING AWARENESS ABOUT THE NEED FOR ORGAN AND TISSUE DONATION.

Whereas, one of the most meaningful gifts that a human being can bestow upon another is the gift of life; and

Whereas, more than 113,000 men, women, and children in the United States await life-saving or life-enhancing organ transplants, of which nearly 1,500 are residents of South Carolina; and

Whereas, the need for organ, eye, and tissue donation grows daily as a new patient is added to the national waiting list for an organ transplant every ten minutes, and the critical donor shortage remains a public health crisis as an average of eighteen people die daily due to the lack of available organs; and

Whereas, organ, eye, and tissue donation can provide families the comfort of knowing the gift of donated organs and tissue endows another person with renewed hope for a healthy life, and donating life through organ, eye, and tissue donation is the ultimate act of generosity and kindness we South Carolina citizens can perform; and

Whereas, Donate Life South Carolina and LifePoint are the state non-profit organizations dedicated to promoting awareness about the need for organ and tissue donation; and

Whereas, South Carolina supports Donate Life South Carolina and LifePoint’s life-saving mission. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the Senate, by this resolution, support Donate Life South Carolina and LifePoint’s life-saving mission to promoting awareness about the need for organ and tissue donation.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Donate Life South Carolina and LifePoint.

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