**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE YORK COUNTY AS A VITAL PART OF THIS STATE AND DECLARE FEBRUARY 15, 2011, AS “YORK COUNTY DAY” IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

Whereas, York County is home to over 229,470 South Carolina citizens, which is nearly five percent of the total population of this State; and

Whereas, York County is the fastest growing county in this State with an average annual growth rate of four percent, and York County is the third fastest growing county in this State, with a nine‑year increase of nearly thirty‑seven percent; and

Whereas, the estimated assessment of real and manufacturing property of York County exceeded 705 million dollars, which is nearly a four percent increase from the previous year and represents approximately four percent of the total assessment of real and manufacturing property; and

Whereas, York County was the seventh highest producing county in retail sales in this State last year and provided more than four billion dollars to state coffers and over four percent of the total retail sales in this State; and

Whereas, the citizens of York County passed its own one‑cent sales tax in 1997 and again in 2003 to collect a total of 272 million dollars to be used to pay for critical road improvements, which also enhances the efficiency of the state’s road system. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:

That the members of the South Carolina General Assembly, by this resolution, recognize York County as a vital part of this State and declare February 15, 2011, as “York County Day” in South Carolina.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to each of the four chambers of commerce in York County.

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