**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE YORK COUNTY AS A VITAL PART OF THE GREAT STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, AND TO DECLARE FEBRUARY 15, 2011, “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 state’s total population; and

Whereas, York is the state’s fastest growing county, with an annual growth rate of four percent, and York County is the state’s third fastest growing county with a nine‑year increase of almost thirty‑seven percent; and

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

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

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

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

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