**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO COMMEND CAROLYN BOLTIN‑KELLY OF MOUNT PLEASANT FOR HER NINE YEARS OF OUTSTANDING AND DEDICATED SERVICE AS DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL OCEAN & COASTAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT (DHEC OCRM) AND TO WISH HER MUCH SUCCESS AND HAPPINESS IN ALL HER FUTURE ENDEAVORS.

Whereas, Carolyn Boltin‑Kelly of Mount Pleasant for nine years has carried out her duties as deputy director of this great state’s DHEC OCRM with dedication and excellence; and

Whereas, Ms. Boltin‑Kelly came to DHEC from the U.S. Coast Guard in August 2005 as the third deputy director in program history, and under her able leadership the department has accomplished much. In 2005, when Ms. Boltin‑Kelly started with DHEC OCRM, the Bridges to Marsh Island stakeholder effort was underway and reaching a critical point toward moving stakeholders’ recommendations on to the South Carolina General Assembly. Ms. Boltin‑Kelly was able to keep this momentum moving forward and was successful in getting a regulation package through the General Assembly and new regulations for bridges to marsh islands implemented; and

Whereas, during the economic upturn, DHEC saw an unprecedented increase in permit requests. Ms. Boltin‑Kelly worked with the business community to help address timely and consistent action on these requests; and

Whereas, in 2008, she oversaw the third beachline revision since the passing of the Beachfront Management Act. New procedures captured in an updated *Standard Operating Procedures* were developed and used; and

Whereas, also in 2008, a committee consisting of twenty‑three members from academia, resource agencies, the private sector, nonprofit organizations, and the public was formed, its purpose being not to “vote” on new rules, but rather to identify common ground and areas of disagreement to help set the context for future policy deliberations. The recommendations present were targeted toward not only DHEC OCRM but also the General Assembly, other state agencies, and local governments. Committee members met over a two‑year period. Ms. Boltin‑Kelly and key staff were instrumental in keeping this group focused and mission oriented; and

Whereas, the Blue Ribbon Committee on Shoreline Management started its work in October 2010, and was charged with developing specific statutory and regulatory recommendations to help guide the stewardship of South Carolina’s beachfront and estuarine shorelines. Comprised of representative stakeholders, elected officials, and leading legal and academic experts, this committee worked for two years to evaluate current conditions, discuss various experiences, attempt to resolve divergent perspectives, and provide the DHEC Board with recommendations for its consideration. Working with the committee chair and members, Ms. Boltin‑Kelly was instrumental in keeping this process moving along beyond the committee level and on to the board for review, and she is now assisting with the final legislative piece; and

Whereas, with her husband, Dr. John Kelly, Carolyn Boltin‑Kelly will be moving to the Sunshine State to take on new responsibilities and challenges as First Lady of Florida Atlantic University. The Senate is grateful for her tireless service to the people of South Carolina and wishes her the best in all she undertakes. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, commend Carolyn Boltin‑Kelly of Mount Pleasant for her nine years of outstanding and dedicated service as deputy director of the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control Ocean & Coastal Resource Management (DHEC OCRM) and to wish her much success and happiness in all her future endeavors.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to Carolyn Boltin‑Kelly.

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