**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE CHARLES IAN RALEY OF LEE COUNTY FOR ACHIEVING THE ELITE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT, COMMEND HIM FOR HIS HARD WORK AND DETERMINATION IN REACHING THIS GOAL, AND WISH HIM EVERY SUCCESS IN ALL HIS FUTURE ENDEAVORS.

Whereas, it is with great pride that the South Carolina House of Representatives recognizes the laudable achievements of young people, and among those youthful accomplishments that command the greatest respect is the attaining of the rank of Eagle Scout; and

Whereas, having proved himself worthy, Charles Ian Raley of Lee County has been named an Eagle Scout, an award granted to only about five percent of all Boy Scouts; and

Whereas, Ian, who became a Scout in November 2008, is a member of Troop 303, sponsored by Lyttleton Street United Methodist Church in Camden; and

Whereas, a young man of impressive drive, in just four years Ian earned thirty‑three merit badges, and on June 21, 2012, he attained the status of Brotherhood in the Order of the Arrow, scouting’s honor society; and

Whereas, he has served his troop as chaplain aide, quartermaster, scribe, assistant senior patrol leader, Order of the Arrow representative, patrol leader, and assistant patrol leader; and

Whereas, for his Eagle Scout service project, Ian created a beautiful prayer garden for his house of worship, Bishopville First Baptist Church; and

Whereas, he remains dedicated to scouting and plans to attend the national jamboree in July 2013; and

Whereas, the award of Eagle Scout, the highest rank in scouting, is a performance‑based achievement whose high standards have been staunchly maintained since its inception in 1912. In attaining this coveted award, Ian joins the ranks of astronauts, movie and sports celebrities, Nobel Prize winners, business and military leaders, Senators and Congressmen, and other elected officials and may be justly proud of his accomplishment. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, congratulate Charles Ian Raley of Lee County for achieving the elite rank of Eagle Scout, commend him for his hard work and determination in reaching this goal, and wish him every success in all his future endeavors.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to Charles Ian Raley.

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