**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR SERGEANT DAVID AMICK OF THE LEXINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF’S DEPARTMENT FOR HIS VALUABLE COMMUNITY SERVICE TO THE PEOPLE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

Whereas, it is with great pleasure that the members of the South Carolina General Assembly honor individuals who give of their time and talents to benefit the citizens of the Palmetto State; and

Whereas, Sergeant David Amick of the Lexington County Sheriff’s Department has contributed valuable community service to the people of South Carolina and is thereby worthy of praise; and

Whereas, a 1978 graduate of Chapin High School, David Amick joined the U.S. Navy after graduation and served with that revered military institution for more than two decades before returning to Chapin in 1999; and

Whereas, the self‑discipline and courage he cultivated while in the military served him well during such challenging assignments as Operation Desert Storm. On his return to Chapin, these qualities were to assist him in the new duties he took up when he joined the Lexington County Sheriff’s Department. Having graduated from the South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy in 2000, David Amick began a law enforcement career that presently includes supervising resident deputies, road patrol deputies, and school resource officers in the Chapin Patrol District; and

Whereas, Sergeant Amick believes strongly in giving back to the community, and he demonstrates that commitment through involvement in a wide variety of community‑service projects. As a dedicated humanitarian, he has earned the gratitude of his fellow citizens for such accomplishments as his 2011 coordination of the first annual Timberlake Triathlon, which resulted in a donation of six thousand dollars to the We Care Center in Chapin. He also coordinated the participation of the Lexington County Sheriff’s Department in a drive for Cell Phones for Soldiers. The more than three thousand cellular telephones collected in this effort were sold to buy prepaid telephone calling cards for U.S. military personnel serving our nation outside the United States; and

Whereas, in addition, David Amick coordinated a motorcycle ride that brought in six thousand seven hundred dollars to Honor Flight South Carolina, which provides airline and ground transportation for World War II military veterans to visit military memorials in Washington, D.C. As coordinator of a chili cook‑off and car and motorcycle benefit show, he had the satisfaction of seeing two thousand five hundred dollars raised for a college scholarship fund administered by the American Legion for children of U.S. military veterans. He also has assisted area food banks and clean-ups; and

Whereas, David Amick’s numerous honors include the 2009 American Legion Post Police Officer of the Year Award, 2011 Lexington County Sheriff’s Foundation Community Service Award, and 2011‑2012 Public Servant Law Enforcement Officer of the Year Award for the VFW Department of South Carolina. Further, Lexington County Sheriff James R. Metts praises him as “an excellent role model for the officers whom he supervises”; and

Whereas, the members of the General Assembly recognize that the success of the State of South Carolina, the strength of its communities, and the vitality of American society as a whole depend, in great measure, upon the dedication of individuals like Sergeant David Amick who use their talents and resources to serve others. 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 and honor Sergeant David Amick of the Lexington County Sheriff’s Department for his valuable community service to the people of South Carolina.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to Sergeant David Amick.

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