**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR PEGGY BOHNE, TENNIS MANAGER OF THE CHARLESTON TENNIS CENTER, FOR THIRTY‑EIGHT YEARS OF OUTSTANDING AND DEDICATED SERVICE TO HER COMMUNITY AND TO THE CITY OF CHARLESTON.

Whereas, the members of the House of Representatives of the State of South Carolina are grateful for the years of devoted service that Peggy Bohne has given the City of Charleston through her exceptional work as tennis manager of the Charleston Tennis Center; and

Whereas, in 1975, Ms. Bohne graduated from the College of Charleston where she played number one on the varsity women’s tennis team for two years; and

Whereas, she began working for the City of Charleston Department of Recreation at the Charleston Tennis Center in January 1976 and became the tennis manager three years later, and today she supervises twenty‑five staff members and seventy tennis courts at fifteen sites across the City of Charleston; and

Whereas, under the leadership of Peggy Bohne, the Inner‑city Youth Tennis Program, called “Courting Kids,” has won numerous national awards, and the Tri‑county Elementary and Middle School Tennis League consists of one hundred thirty‑three teams in Charleston, Berkeley, and Dorchester counties; and

Whereas, the City of Charleston was designated the Best Tennis Town in America in 2010 by the United States Tennis Association (USTA) for best exemplifying the passion, excitement, spirit, and impact that tennis brings to local communities; and

Whereas, ranked in 2009 as one of the nation’s top‑ten best cities for strong infrastructure, attractive economy, and savvy urban planning by *Forbes* magazine, Charleston has more than thirteen thousand local tennis players, more than seven thousand five hundred of whom play USTA League tennis, with over five hundred eighty tennis courts within its four hundred eighty‑five square mile radius; and

Whereas, in 2012, Ms. Bohne was honored with the South Carolina Tennis Association Community Service Award and the Nancy J. McGinley Tennis Advocate of the Year Award from the Charleston Tennis Initiative; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives appreciate the enthusiastic dedication and leadership with which Peggy Bohne has served the City of Charleston since 1976 with the Charleston Tennis Center. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the House of Representatives of the State of South Carolina, by this resolution, recognize and honor Peggy Bohne, tennis manager of the Charleston Tennis Center, for thirty‑eight years of outstanding and dedicated service to her community and to the City of Charleston.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to Peggy Bohne.

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