**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO HONOR AND RECOGNIZE MR. DICK CODA FOR HIS MANY TALES OF ADVENTURE TRAPPING IN LAURENS COUNTY AND TO WISH HIM HEALTH AND HAPPINESS IN ALL HIS FUTURE ENDEAVORS.

Whereas, in 2005 Judy and Dick Coda from Maple, Wisconsin chose Laurens County in South Carolina to trap beaver. Dick caught 378 beaver in that first year and he has come back every year since then to enjoy his favorite hobby; and

Whereas, Dick became interested in trapping at the age of twelve and with no one to teach him, he basically taught himself; and

Whereas, he finished college and married Judy in 1964. Together they had three daughters and one son; and

Whereas, his first job after college was with Superior Fiber Products as a Quality Control and Research and Development Manager; and

Whereas, each fall in his spare time he could be found hunting deer or trapping, mostly for muskrat. He soon started trapping beaver, otter, and raccoons; and

Whereas, he and his wife moved to the country and owned a farm chock full of animals, which they eventually sold to begin a new business in supplies. They still run this supply business today with the gracious help of their family; and

Whereas, wanting to go somewhere warmer for trapping, Dick and Judy chose to travel to Laurens, South Carolina to trap beaver for the Laurens County Soil and Water Conservation District. Once there, they quickly found the people of Laurens warm and personable and they have made many wonderful friends over the years; and

Whereas, the members of the Senate are proud to recognize Mr. Dick Coda, a man who has devoted his life to his family and his passion for the environment. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the Senate, by this resolution, honor and recognize Mr. Dick Coda for his many tales of adventure trapping in Laurens County and wish him health and happiness in all his future endeavors.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Mr. Dick Coda.

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