**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE CAROL FOXWORTH CHESTNUT OF CONWAY UPON THE OCCASION OF HER RETIREMENT, TO COMMEND HER FOR HER FORTY‑TWO YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE AS AN EDUCATOR, AND TO WISH HER MUCH HAPPINESS AND FULFILLMENT IN ALL HER FUTURE ENDEAVORS.

Whereas, it is with great pleasure that the South Carolina Senate honors those individuals who give tirelessly of themselves to the welfare of this great state’s most important legacy, its children; and

Whereas, Carol Foxworth Chestnut of Conway, retiring after forty‑two fruitful years as a classroom teacher, stands among their number as an outstanding public benefactor, one much admired in her role as both educator and role model to young people; and

Whereas, a nationally board‑certified teacher, Carol received her teacher training at the University of South Carolina, where she earned both her bachelor’s and master’s degrees; and

Whereas, forty‑two years ago, an eager first‑year teacher, she began her work as an educator teaching English at North Myrtle Beach High School, followed by thirteen years at Waccamaw Academy in Conway. In 2013, at Aynor High School, where she has taught English since 1987, this master instructor will conclude an honored teaching career; and

Whereas, away from school, Carol is a lifelong member of First Baptist Church of Conway; the mother of two fine children, Michael Gunn and Elizabeth Reardon Gunn; and proud grandmother of Ava Gunn. In the past, she forayed into babysitting, where she proved her abilities as one‑time babysitter of the now fully grown South Carolina State Senator Luke Rankin; and

Whereas, during Carol’s well‑earned retirement, the Senate trusts she will find herself more frequently able to indulge in traveling and in spending time with her family, especially with young Ava and the new grandchild to be born later this summer; and

Whereas, having set the bar of achievement high in her profession, Carol Chestnut will be remembered upon her retirement with affection and gratitude by colleagues, students, parents, and legislative friends for years to come. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, congratulate Carol Foxworth Chestnut of Conway upon the occasion of her retirement, commend her for her forty‑two years of dedicated service as an educator, and wish her much happiness and fulfillment in all her future endeavors.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to Carol Chestnut.

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