**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR JENELL FORD, A VETERAN TEACHER FROM CHARLESTON COUNTY, UPON THE OCCASION OF HER RETIREMENT AFTER MORE THAN THIRTY‑THREE YEARS OF DEVOTED SERVICE, AND TO WISH HER CONTINUED SUCCESS AND HAPPINESS IN ALL HER FUTURE ENDEAVORS.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives have learned that Jenell Ford will begin a well‑deserved retirement after thirty‑three years as a premier teacher, the last of which have been as a highly‑regarded master reading teacher through the district’s Primary Grades Academy program at Oakland Elementary School; and

Whereas, in preparation for her career as an educator, she earned a Bachelor of Science Degree and a Master of Education Degree, both from South Carolina State University; and

Whereas, Ms. Ford completed further studies at The Citadel and the College of Charleston; and

Whereas, through her long career, she taught reading and language arts, English, science, math, earth science, and kindergarten, and she served as a reading interventionist; and

Whereas, a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., and the order of the Eastern Star, Ms. Ford has most recently served as a master reading teacher through the district’s Primary Grades Academy program at Oakland Elementary School; and

Whereas, she was honored as Teacher of the Year at Jane Edwards Elementary School in 1985 and was a three‑time recipient of the National Endowment Humanities Summer Institute Fellowship, which afforded her the opportunity to study at the College of Charleston; Flagler College, and Georgia State University; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives are grateful for the years of unparalleled dedication that Jenell Ford has given to educating young minds in the Palmetto State and wish her many years of enjoyment in her well‑earned retirement. 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 Jenell Ford, a veteran teacher from Charleston County, upon the occasion of her retirement after more than thirty‑three years of devoted service, and wish her continued success and happiness in all her future endeavors.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Jenell Ford.

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