**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR DEANNA TIMMERMAN, A KINDERGARTEN TEACHER AT BYRD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN GRANITEVILLE, UPON THE OCCASION OF HER RETIREMENT AFTER THIRTY‑SEVEN YEARS OF OUTSTANDING SERVICE AS AN EDUCATOR, 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 Deanna Timmerman will begin a well‑deserved retirement after thirty‑seven years as a beloved teacher at Byrd Elementary School in the Aiken County Public School District; and

Whereas, she was born in Augsburg, Germany, while her father was serving there in the United States Armed Forces, and she earned a bachelor’s degree in early childhood education from the University of South Carolina Aiken in 1979; and

Whereas, Ms. Timmerman began her professional career as an educator at Byrd Elementary School in 1979, where she has worked for thirty‑seven years as a teacher; and

Whereas, after completing her student teaching and internship at Byrd Elementary, she taught third and first grades for a number of years and has spent the last twenty‑seven years there teaching five‑year‑old kindergarten; and

Whereas, Ms. Timmerman served on the school’s accreditation team and on the Student Intervention Team (SIT) to assess needs of individual students; and

Whereas, she served her colleagues as the grade‑level department chair for Byrd Elementary School for many years and has introduced a myriad of timid students to the wonders of learning under her tender care; and

Whereas, Deanna Timmerman and her husband, Joey, are the proud parents of Joanna Hamilton, who has blessed them with two adoring grandchildren; and

Whereas, she plans to spend many happy hours of retirement teaching children two days a week at First Presbyterian Church, where her daughter is the children’s minister; and

Whereas, the South Carolina House of Representatives is grateful for the years of unparalleled dedication that Deanna Timmerman has devoted to teaching young students who have grown into productive citizens, and the members 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 Deanna Timmerman, a kindergarten teacher at Byrd Elementary School in Graniteville, upon the occasion of her retirement after thirty‑seven years of outstanding service as an educator, 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 Deanna Timmerman.

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