**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE THE HONORABLEDONNA C. HICKS OF SPARTANBURG COUNTY FOR HER MERITORIOUS AND DEDICATED SERVICE IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OVER THE LAST FOUR YEARS ON BEHALF OF HER CONSTITUENTS AND THE CITIZENS OF SOUTH CAROLINA AND TO WISH HER MUCH SUCCESS AND HAPPINESS IN ALL HER FUTURE ENDEAVORS.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives learned with sincere regret that the Honorable Donna C. Hicks will depart from the House of Representatives at the conclusion of her current term; and

Whereas, born in Spartanburg, she is the daughter of Nancy B. and John W. Hicks, Jr., and she earned a bachelor’s degree from the University of South Carolina in 1998; and

Whereas, Representative Hicks earned a master of divinity degree in 2002 and a master of theology degree in 2006, both from New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, and earned certification in non‑profit management from Duke University in 2009; and

Whereas, she served as a Greek reference editor and contributor for the 2005‑2006 edition of the *Women*’*s Evangelical Commentary on the New Testament* published by Holman Bible Publishers; and

Whereas, when away from her duties in the House of Representatives, Representative Hicks resides in Boiling Springs where she owns her own business; and

Whereas, deeply involved in her community, she served from 1982 to 1986 as the president and regional director for the Jaycees and as the Soil and Water Commissioner from 2011 to 2012; and

Whereas, a graduate of 2012 Leadership Spartanburg and 2014 Leadership South Carolina, Representative Hicks serves on the board of directors for the Upstate Family Resource Center (UFRS) and as a member of the Boiling Springs Lions Club and the Boiling Springs Business Association; and

Whereas, she has faithfully served the citizens of District 37 in the House of Representatives since 2013, during which time she has served on the Judiciary Committee; and

Whereas, with a strong desire to protect the lives of our citizens, Representative Hicks ardently supported the naming of April as “Move Over Awareness Month”, legislation which provides for public education about the importance of approaching a highway work zone, emergency scene, or traffic accident by changing lanes away from those situations; and

Whereas, in all of her service, she has provided support for her constituents, born and unborn, in the effort to defund Planned Parenthood and in her collaboration on the Pain‑Capable Unborn Child Protection Act, enacted at the end of May 2016; and

Whereas, the members of the House of Representatives will miss the keen and impassioned service that Donna Hicks, their friend and colleague, has given to the House of Representatives, and hope that she will enjoy deep fulfillment in the years to come. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, congratulate the HonorableDonna C. Hicks of Spartanburg County for her meritorious and dedicated service in the House of Representatives over the past four years on behalf of her constituents and the citizens of South Carolina and wish her much success and happiness in all her future endeavors.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to the Honorable Donna C. Hicks.

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