**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR CASSIE FOWLER OF DUNCAN FOR HER MANY YEARS OF DEDICATED AND OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEER SERVICE TO HER COMMUNITY AND BEYOND.

Whereas, it is with much pleasure that the South Carolina House of Representatives honors those individuals who give tirelessly of themselves to the welfare of this great State; and

Whereas, Cassie Fowler of Duncan stands high among their number as an outstanding public benefactor, one much admired in her role as a servant leader in the community; and

Whereas, although Cassie was born with spina bifida and has been in a wheelchair all her life, she has not allowed her condition to hinder her service to her community. An inspiration to all who meet her, she is well known for her dedication as a volunteer in the Spartanburg area; and

Whereas, this energetic supporter of worthy causes has raised more than six thousand dollars for St. Jude Hospital. She also has raised funds for the American Diabetes Association and the American Heart Association. All told, she has raised more than ten thousand dollars for these three charities over the years; and

Whereas, knowing that holidays can be especially difficult for many hospital patients, Cassie has made sending greeting cards to these folks a special project for more than ten years. Starting with St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital, Shriners Hospitals for Children - Greenville, and Children’s Hospital in Greenville, she first sent one hundred Christmas cards per hospital and later one hundred Valentine’s Day cards to the same institutions; and

Whereas, always the thoughtful person, Cassie added one hundred more Valentine’s Day cards, for a total of two hundred per hospital, because she had discovered that any extra cards were given out to siblings of the children in the hospitals. Now, in addition to the original three hospitals, she sends cards to Levine Children’s Hospital in Charlotte, North Carolina, and Palmetto Health Children’s Hospital in Columbia; and

Whereas, in July 2016, Cassie began answering the phone at Middle Tyger Community Center, followed by service in other areas of the center. In October 2017, she was asked to help with its social media program. Further, she assists Andrea Moore, director of the center, with projects; and

Whereas, in short, Cassie Fowler is a lady with a servant’s heart. She proves daily that, no matter what one’s circumstances may be, one can make a difference in so many lives; and

Whereas, cognizant of her invaluable and inspirational contributions to the people of the Palmetto State, particularly those of the Spartanburg area, the House extends grateful thanks to Cassie Fowler for her many years of committed service. As she continues to serve, the members wish this daughter of South Carolina much happiness and fulfillment in all her future endeavors. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, recognize and honor Cassie Fowler of Duncan for her many years of dedicated and outstanding volunteer service to her community and beyond.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Cassie Fowler.

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