**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE HONORABLE MINISTER CARMEN INÉS VÁSQUEZ CAMACHO FOR HER OUTSTANDING WORK AND SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITIES OF THE AMERICAS AND TO WISH HER CONTINUED SUCCESS IN ALL HER FUTURE ENDEAVORS.

Whereas, Mrs. Carmen Inés Vásquez Camacho is a native of Colombia who presently works as minister plenipotentiary of the Organization of American States; and

Whereas, Mrs. Vásquez was the vice minister for Equal Rights Participation at the Minister of the Interior from 2014 through 2016. She obtained a juris doctor degree from Universidad Libre in Colombia; and

Whereas, as vice minister, Mrs. Vásquez was responsible for public policy, human rights, fundamental freedoms, citizen participation, and ethnic matters for LGBTI groups. Furthermore, she worked as comptroller delegate for the defense, justice, and security sectors, as well as for the agricultural sector. Among other duties, she was in charge of following up on issues affecting displaced peoples, and, along with an advisory team of comptrollers, she created an audit process for gender equality; and

Whereas, Mrs. Vásquez worked as an advisor at the Health Secretariat in Cundinamarca. She also worked as head of the legal office of the Colombian Energy Institute (ICEL); and

Whereas, Mrs. Vásquez worked as administrative legal director for the Buenaventura Chamber of Commerce and as director for black community matters at the Minister of the Interior. 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 honorable Minister Carmen Inés Vásquez Camacho for her outstanding work and service to the communities of the Americas and wish her continued success in all her future endeavors.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to the honorable Carmen Inés Vásquez Camacho.

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