**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND COMMEND THE CHARLESTON‑AREA CHAPTERS OF THE DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION AT THEIR CELEBRATION OF MORE THAN ONE HUNDRED YEARS OF OUR NATION’S MOTHER’S DAY OBSERVANCE.

Whereas, the month of May marks one hundred and four years since President Woodrow Wilson signed a bill recognizing Mother’s Day as a national holiday upon the urging of Anna Jarvis of West Virginia. Miss Jarvis began a campaign to set aside a day in which to honor mothers at the time when her own mother passed away and then later fought the over‑commercialization of the holiday. The new bill signed by President Wilson, dated May 9, 1914, declared the second Sunday of May “a public expression of our love and reverence for the mothers of our country”; and

Whereas, it is entirely fitting that we honor all mothers, something the members of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) in the Charleston area will do at a lovely luncheon on Saturday, April 28, 2018, with a special speaker and one hundred members attending; and

Whereas, Charleston‑area chapters of the DAR are the Rebecca Motte Chapter, Fort Sullivan Chapter, Eliza Lucas Pinckney Chapter, and Suzannah Smith Elliott Chapter; and

Whereas, in addition to their celebration of Mother’s Day, the Daughters of the American Revolution take part in various invaluable projects that serve a diverse number of needs and bless our servicemen and women, veterans, children, and community at large. Founded in 1890, the national organization has as its motto “God, home, and country,” with its main focus being education, historic preservation, and patriotism. 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 commend the Charleston‑area chapters of the Daughters of the American Revolution at their celebration of more than one hundred years of our nation’s Mother’s Day observance.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to the Charleston‑area chapters of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

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