**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND COMMEND MS. ELAINE NICHOLS FOR HER SUPPORT IN IDENTIFYING AND PRESERVING THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE STATE’S AFRICAN AMERICANS THROUGH HER SERVICE AS A CHARTER MEMBER OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA AFRICAN AMERICAN HERITAGE COMMISSION.

Whereas, those who give their lives to the betterment of their community deserve to be recognized publicly for their contributions in making the State as a whole a better place to live; and

Whereas, Ms. Elaine Nichols is such a person, devoting her life to uplifting and enlightening others about the contributions of African Americans to the State of South Carolina; and

Whereas, a native of Charlotte, North Carolina, she earned a master’s degree in public archeology from the University of South Carolina; and

Whereas, Ms. Nichols served as curator at the South Carolina State Museum and currently serves as supervisory curator at the Smithsonian National Museum of African American History and Culture in Washington, D.C.; and

Whereas, seeing Elaine Nichols’ diligence, Governor Carroll Campbell appointed her to the South Carolina African American Heritage Commission, formerly the South Carolina African American Heritage Council, in March of 1993. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:

That the members of the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina, by this resolution, recognize and commend Ms. Elaine Nichols for her support in identifying and preserving the contributions of the State’s African Americans through her service as a charter member of the South Carolina African American Heritage Commission.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Ms. Elaine Nichols.

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