**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE WILL HENDERSON OF SPARTANBURG COUNTY FOR HIS REMARKABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA AND TO SALUTE HIM UPON HIS ACHIEVING THE CELEBRATED RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT, THE HIGHEST AWARD IN SCOUTING.

Whereas, recently, Will Henderson of Troop 2 of the Palmetto Council successfully passed his Eagle Scout Board of Review and thus completed the requirements for the rank of Eagle Scout; and

Whereas, the son of Marty and Ashley Henderson of Spartanburg, this Spartanburg Day School junior has played three sports for years, and he is a member of the Interact Club, which requires service hours in the community. For several years, he also has volunteered his time to help deliver meals with Mobile Meals of Spartanburg. He is a member of First Presbyterian Church; and

Whereas, during his years in Scouting, Will has earned twenty‑six merit badges and a bronze palm and has been named to the Order of the Arrow (Scouting’s national honor society). He has served his troop, sponsored by First Presbyterian Church of Spartanburg, as outdoor ethics guide and instructor; and

Whereas, Will officially will receive the rank of Eagle Scout on Sunday, May 5, 2019; and

Whereas, for his Eagle project, in September 2018 Will led twelve other Scouts in constructing two picnic tables for use in an outdoor classroom in the Spartanburg Day School garden; and

Whereas, to earn the rank of Eagle Scout, a Boy Scout must demonstrate that he lives by the principles of the Scout Oath and Law in his daily life; he must plan, develop, and give leadership to others in a service project helpful to any religious institution, any school, or his community; and he must earn a total of twenty‑one merit badges, actively serve in a position of responsibility within his troop for six months, take part in a Scoutmaster conference, and complete his Eagle Scout Board of Review; and

Whereas, only about five percent of Boy Scouts complete these rigorous requirements to achieve the prestigious rank of Eagle Scout; and

Whereas, the House is grateful for the legacy of Scouting in America and takes great pride in acknowledging the achievements of young South Carolinians like Will Henderson who selflessly give of their time, talents, and energy to enrich their local communities and our State. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, congratulate Will Henderson of Spartanburg County for his remarkable accomplishments in the Boy Scouts of America and salute him upon his achieving the celebrated rank of Eagle Scout, the highest award in Scouting.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Will Henderson.

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