**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR WALTER HILTON “WALT” BAREFOOT OF THE PEE DEE AREA COUNCIL OF THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA AND TO CONGRATULATE HIM UPON RECEIVING THE NATIONAL EAGLE SCOUT ASSOCIATION OUTSTANDING EAGLE SCOUT AWARD.

Whereas, the South Carolina General Assembly is pleased to learn that Walt Barefoot will be honored as a National Eagle Scout Association (NESA) Outstanding Eagle Scout at the Pee Dee Area Council Banquet on February 29, 2020; and

Whereas, born in Florence, he graduated from South Florence High School and earned a Bachelor’s Degree in History from Wofford and a Juris Doctorate from the University of South Carolina; and

Whereas, he is a board member of the Pee Dee Area Council and has twice served as the Council’s president; and

Whereas, in addition to earning the Eagle Scout Award, he is a Silver Beaver recipient from Pee Dee Area Council and has been honored as a Vigil Honor Member of the Order of the Arrow (OA), Scouting’s National Honor Society; and

Whereas, in the OA Scout leadership, he has served as the OA assistant treasurer, as the OA ceremonial vice chief, two terms as the lodge chief for the Santee Lodge 116, as the OA Section 5 secretary, as the section chief, and as the section vice chief of administration; and

Whereas, devoted to his community, he has served as the past president and a board member of the Florence County Disabilities Foundation; and

Whereas, a member of McAngus, Goudelock and Courie, he has served his profession as a board member and chair of the South Carolina Bar Section on Workers’ Compensation, a board member of South Carolina Workers’ Compensation Educational Association, and a board member of the South Carolina Defense Trial Attorneys’ Association; and

Whereas, a lifelong member of Central United Methodist Church in Florence, he has served on the church’s Finance and Scouting/Recreation committees; and

Whereas, together with his beloved wife, Anja Brautigam Barefoot, he has reared two fine children, Joshua H. Barefoot and Lydia R. Barefoot; and

Whereas, the South Carolina General Assembly deeply appreciates the years of dedicated service that Walt Barefoot has given to Scouting in the Palmetto State and the significant investment he has made in our most cherished resource: our young people. Now, therefore,

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

That the members of the South Carolina General Assembly, recognize and honor Walter Hilton “Walt” Barefoot of the Pee Dee Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America and congratulate him upon receiving the National Eagle Scout Association Outstanding Eagle Scout Award.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Walter Hilton “Walt” Barefoot.

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