**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR ROSALYN DANSBY OF GREENWOOD FOR HER MANY YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE AS AN EDUCATOR IN THE PALMETTO STATE AND TO EXPRESS GRATITUDE FOR HER ROLE IN PREPARING YOUNG PEOPLE TO TAKE THEIR PLACES AS PRODUCTIVE CITIZENS.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina Senate are pleased to acknowledge the significant contributions that Rosalyn Dansby has made to the development of young people in the Palmetto State throughout her outstanding career as a teacher; and

Whereas, from the moment Rosalyn Dansby began first grade, she knew she wanted to become a teacher. As a student at Waverly Elementary School, teachers provided rigorous educational training that would guide students towards success, inspiring her and causing her to develop a burning desire to become a classroom teacher; and

Whereas, while a student at Booker T. Washington High School, Ms. Dansby nurtured her love of education and her desire to become a teacher by joining the Future Teachers of America. Ms. Dansby went on to further her education at Benedict College where she earned a bachelor of arts degree in education in 1966. After graduation, Ms. Dansby accepted a job with Greenwood County School District 50 as a classroom teacher; and

Whereas, in 1969, she joined the staff of Woodfield Elementary School where she remained until she retired after thirty‑one years of teaching. The District later brought her back to Woodfield Elementary as a retiree to serve as a teaching assistant. Ms. Dansby has remained committed to molding the character of children for more than fifty years; and

Whereas, with a strong commitment to excellence in her chosen profession, she holds membership in numerous professional organizations, including the Greenwood County Education Association, the South Carolina Education Association, and the National Education Association; and

Whereas, Ms. Dansby has received a number of honors and awards for her service as an educator, including being named as Woodfield Elementary School’s Teacher of the Year in 1988‑1989, Woodfield Elementary School’s Support Employee of the Year in 2014‑2015, and Greenwood County School District 50’s Support Employee of the Year in 2014‑2015; and

Whereas, having been raised in a family of faith, Ms. Dansby grew up in Chappelle Memorial A.M.E. Church where she gained invaluable experiences through her participation in the junior choir, the junior usher board, her role as the Sunday School Secretary, and by teaching Sunday School herself. Today, she is an active member of Troy Bethel A.M.E. Church in Troy, South Carolina; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina General Assembly value the faithful example and outstanding devotion of Rosalyn Dansby to the young people of our great State. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, recognize and honor Rosalyn Dansby of Greenwood for her many years of dedicated service as an educator in the Palmetto State and express gratitude for her role in preparing young people to take their places as productive citizens.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Rosalyn Dansby.

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