**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND COMMEND DR. DAN NELSON FOR HIS TEN YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE AS THE ADMINISTRATOR OF BOB JONES ACADEMY AND TO WISH HIM MUCH SUCCESS AND FULFILLMENT IN ALL HIS FUTURE ENDEAVORS.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina General Assembly are pleased to learn that Dan Nelson, EdD, administrator of Bob Jones Academy, will begin his well‑deserved retirement at the end of the 2020‑2021 school year after giving a decade of his time, talents, leadership, and experience to Bob Jones Academy and its students; and

Whereas, throughout his tenure as administrator, Dr. Nelson achieved major accomplishments, as evidenced by his management of the consolidation of Bob Jones Elementary School, Bob Jones Junior High School, and Bob Jones Academy into one school under the designation Bob Jones Academy. Under his leadership, Bob Jones Academy was granted accreditation by five accrediting agencies, including regional accreditation and accreditation by the South Carolina Association of Christian Schools; and

Whereas, Bob Jones Academy has always maintained an emphasis on rigorous academics taught from a biblical worldview and with spiritual growth opportunities through Bible classes, as well as a strong chapel program and many community ministry opportunities for both students and faculty alike; and

Whereas, under Dr. Nelson’s direction, Bob Jones Academy established a Vo‑Tech program, enabling juniors and seniors to take in‑person and online college courses for dual credit, the school continued its excellent track record in speech and debate and fine arts performance, elementary and middle school robotics clubs were established and excelled in tough competitions, and the academy added interscholastic sports, with the students selecting the lion as the school’s mascot; and

Whereas, Dr. Nelson will be remembered by both students and faculty alike for his commitment to maintain the excellence of Bob Jones Academy, his humble leadership, and his faith in the Lord through which he attributes all of his many successes; and

Whereas, the General Assembly recognizes that the success of the State of South Carolina, the strength of its communities, and the vitality of American society as a whole depend, in great measure, upon the dedication of individuals like Dan Nelson, who use their time and many talents to ensure the next generation of students receive a quality education and a strong moral foundation. It is with this in mind, that the General Assembly takes great pleasure in wishing Dr. Nelson all the best as he enters retirement and trust he will find much enjoyment in the more leisurely pace of the days ahead. Now, therefore,

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

That the members of the South Carolina General Assembly, by this resolution, recognize and commend Dr. Dan Nelson for his ten years of dedicated service as the administrator of Bob Jones Academy and wish him much success and fulfillment in all his future endeavors.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Dr. Dan Nelson.

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