**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE JEANIE URTZ DAILEY OF GEORGETOWN UPON THE OCCASION OF HER RETIREMENT, TO COMMEND HER FOR HER MANY YEARS OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AS AN EDUCATOR, AND TO WISH HER MUCH HAPPINESS AND FULFILLMENT IN ALL HER FUTURE ENDEAVORS.

Whereas, it is with great pleasure that the South Carolina House of Representatives honors those individuals who give tirelessly of themselves to the welfare of this great state’s most important legacy, its children; and

Whereas, Georgetown’s Jeanie Urtz Dailey, retiring after many fruitful years as a classroom teacher and district specialist, stands among their number as an outstanding public benefactor, one much admired in her role as both educator and community leader; and

Whereas, as an eager first‑year teacher, Jeanie began her career in 1976 at Howard High in Georgetown County School District. During the early years, while teaching U.S. history and government at Waccamaw High School, she was named 1991 District Teacher of the Year. After serving twenty‑one years in the classroom, she took up new duties at the district level, first for Georgetown County School District and later for Horry County Schools. Currently, she serves at Horry County Schools District Office as the learning specialist for middle and high school social studies. On June 30, 2021, she will step down from this post, retiring after a dedicated career in education that has spanned forty‑five years; and

Whereas, to the great advantage of all educators who specialize in social studies, Jeanie Dailey has advanced historical content knowledge for teachers in African American studies. She wrote and received a substantial grant that allowed her to create a five‑year “on the road” field experience for a group of educators who traveled for two to three weeks at a time during their summer break. They participated in invaluable field experiences, such as personal meetings with American civil rights icons (John Lewis and Cleveland Sellers, among others); private museum tours; and lectures from historians, authors, and other experts. They visited and walked sites important to the history of civil rights in multiple states. Mrs. Dailey repeated the same efforts as they traveled through parts of Ohio and New York while advancing their first‑hand knowledge of women’s studies; and

Whereas, these educators then returned to their schools and wrote what was in reality a new curriculum with new learning strategies. At the beginning of each new school year, they shared their experiences with every teacher of social studies in the middle and high schools. They provided these teachers with the tools they needed to deliver new content knowledge in tight alignment with South Carolina’s state curriculum standards. Mrs. Dailey revolutionized the way students learned in Horry County Schools, not only in African American studies but also in social studies in general; and

Whereas, her professional body of work, always intentional in providing truthful and unbiased learning opportunities for her teachers, served an untold number of students through deeply informed and passionate teachers of history; and

Whereas, having set the bar of achievement high in her profession, Jeanie Dailey will be remembered with affection and gratitude by colleagues, students, parents, and legislative friends for years to come. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, congratulate Jeanie Urtz Dailey of Georgetown upon the occasion of her retirement, commend her for her many years of distinguished service as an educator, and wish her much happiness and fulfillment in all her future endeavors.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Jeanie Urtz Dailey.

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