**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO APPLAUD FAMED CHARLESTON SILVERSMITH KAMINER HAISLIP QUINN FOR HER ACHIEVEMENTS AND TO CONGRATULATE HER ON RECEIVING HER LATEST HONOR, FIRST PLACE IN THE JEWELRY CATEGORY OF THE DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION AMERICAN HERITAGE CRAFTS CONTEST.

Whereas, the South Carolina House of Representatives is pleased to learn that Kaminer Haislip Quinn of Charleston has been awarded first place in the jewelry category by the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) in that organization’s prestigious American Heritage Crafts Contest. A member of the Charleston Rebecca Motte Chapter of the DAR, Kaminer will receive the award officially at the DAR’s national awards presentation, to be held June 29, 2021, in Washington, D.C., during the organization’s Continental Congress; and

Whereas, working under this year’s theme, Rise and Shine Your Light on Your Revolutionary War Patriot, Kaminer based her design on the military career of Captain Joshua Hadley, her great‑great‑great‑great‑great‑grandfather and DAR Patriot, who served in the 1st North Carolina Regiment, Continental Army (1775‑1787). The five units of the necklace were hand‑pierced from sterling silver sheet and formed using traditional silversmithing techniques. Each charm has a meaning: an epaulette worn by captains to signify rank; a white cockade worn on their hats for the same purpose; a gorget worn suspended around the neck, also a symbol of military rank; a charm featuring an eagle as a symbol of Joshua Hadley’s membership in the Society of the Cincinnati, the oldest patriotic organization in the United States; and a charm in the shape of North Carolina, representing Captain Hadley’s home state during the war and his regiment; and

Whereas, a native of Aiken, Kaminer attended Winthrop University and there earned her Bachelor of Fine Arts in jewelry and metals and Master of Fine Arts in silversmithing and design, with a minor in sculpture. While earning her master’s degree, she interned at the Mint Museum of Craft + Design and taught the Jewelry II and III classes, as well as jewelry workshops at Winthrop University. For both of her degrees, she studied under Alfred Ward, an internationally acclaimed English silversmith from London; and

Whereas, after graduation, she moved to Charleston and established her studio. She creates all of her original, handcrafted designs utilizing techniques used for centuries and is frequently commissioned to create unique objects and jewelry in silver and gold. Inspired by Charleston’s extensive silversmithing tradition, she is dedicated to carrying forth that legacy; and

Whereas, her work has been exhibited internationally and nationally and featured in over sixty publications, including *Metalsmith*, *The Magazine ANTIQUES*, *Traditional Home*, *Elle Décor*, *Garden & Gun*, *Southern Living*, *Charleston Magazine*,and *Charleston Weddings*, and on the TV show *Handcrafted America*. She has been honored with the Made in the South Award in the home category from *Garden & Gun* magazine and with the Eric Berg Prize for Excellence in Metal at the Philadelphia Museum of Art Craft Show. Additionally, the Historic Charleston Foundation has honored her with the Samuel Gaillard Stoney Conservation Craftsmanship Award, and the DAR has bestowed on her four national awards. Moreover, she collaborated with Reese Witherspoon’s Southern lifestyle company, Draper James, on an exclusive silver bowl; and

Whereas, on the home front, she finds her strongest support in her husband, Matthew Quinn, and their cocker spaniel, Ansel. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, applaud famed Charleston silversmith Kaminer Haislip Quinn for her achievements and congratulate her on receiving her latest honor, first place in the jewelry category of the Daughters of the American Revolution American Heritage Crafts Contest.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Kaminer Haislip Quinn.

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