**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE THE KINGSTREE LIONS CLUB UPON THE OCCASION OF ITS SEVENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY AND TO EXPRESS THE UTMOST GRATITUDE FOR ITS MANY YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE CITIZENS OF KINGSTREE AND WILLIAMSBURG COUNTY.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina Senate are pleased to honor the Kingstree Lions Club, which has provided seventy-five continuous years of service in enhancing the wellbeing and quality of life of the citizens of Kingstree and surrounding Williamsburg County; and

Whereas, the Kingstree Lions Club was first chartered in Kingstree on February 20, 1946, and throughout its history, it has provided for much‑needed vision and auditory care by way of free eye examinations, eyeglasses, surgical procedures, and hearing aids for underprivileged individuals in Williamsburg County; and

Whereas, the Kingstree Lions Club also provides much‑needed vision and auditory services to the children of its community through local schools; and

Whereas, over the years, the Kingstree Lions Club has raised thousands of dollars through its annual broom and calendar sales to support these services; and

Whereas, the Kingstree Lions Club also sponsors an annual Black River cleanup, in which members volunteer their time and boats to collect debris and trash from Williamsburg County’s beautiful Black River, removing thousands of pounds of trash each year; and

Whereas, over the Kingstree Lions Club’s history, six of its members have served as District Governors of the Lions Club in South Carolina, demonstrating the leadership this small club provides on the state level; and

Whereas, the Kingstree Lions Club participates annually in many community events, including the Kingstree Christmas Parade and Patriot’s Day, when the community remembers the lives lost in the September 11, 2001 attack on the World Trade Center; and

Whereas, the Kingstree Lions Club has received many honors on both the state and national level for its selfless work on behalf of others through service projects targeting the needs of citizens; and

Whereas, the South Carolina Senate is grateful for the extraordinary contributions of the Kingstree Lions Club to the people and the State of South Carolina. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, congratulate the Kingstree Lions Club upon the occasion of its seventy-fifth anniversary and express the utmost gratitude for its many years of dedicated service to the citizens of Kingstree and Williamsburg County.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to the Kingstree Lions Club.

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