**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE DOUG MCELVEEN FOR RECEIVING THE 2022 TIME DEALER OF THE YEAR AWARD.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina General Assembly are pleased to learn that Doug McElveen, President of McElveen Buick GMS, has received the 2022 TIME Dealer of the Year award; and

Whereas, Mr. McElveen will be honored at the one hundred and fifth annual National Automobile Dealers Association Show in Las Vegas, Nevada on March 11, 2022; and

Whereas, the TIME Dealer of the Year award is one of the automobile industry’s most prestigious honors. Recipients are among the nation’s most successful auto dealers, and recipients also demonstrate a long-standing commitment to community service. Mr. McElveen was one of only forty-seven auto dealers nominated from a pool of more than sixteen thousand auto dealers nationwide; and

Whereas, Mr. McElveen is an alumnus of the University of South Carolina, where he earned an associate’s degree in business science; and

Whereas, after graduating in 1981, Mr. McElveen began his career by working full-time at his family’s dealership in Summerville. He attended an automotive management program through General Motors in 1983 and eventually managed the sales team. In 1988, his father became ill, and Mr. McElveen took on the responsibilities of dealer principal. He officially assumed the role of president of the dealership upon his father’s passing in 1989; and

Whereas, a leader in his profession, Mr. McElveen has been involved with many different organizations, including serving as president of the South Carolina Automobile Dealers Association from 2017 to 2018; and

Whereas, an active member of his community, Mr. McElveen is a major benefactor of the Medical University of South Carolina, providing funds for the Shawn Jenkins Children’s Hospital and capital campaigns. He created the Mac Gives Back initiative, the charitable branch of his company, to focus on donating to local nonprofits, sponsoring events, and making a difference in the community. Organizations and events supported by Mac Gives Back include Dorchester Paws, the ARK of SC, the Cocoa Cup 5K at Nexton, the Shamrock Shuffle for the Summerville Family YMCA, the East Cooper chapter of the Coastal Carolina Association, Buick Drive for Your Students, and the American Red Cross, among others; and

Whereas, the Senate is grateful for Doug McElveen’s dedicated service to the Summerville community and the people and the State of South Carolina and takes great pleasure in saluting him for receiving the prestigious 2022 TIME Dealer of the Year award. Now, therefore,

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

That the members of the South Carolina General Assembly, by this resolution, congratulate Doug McElveen for receiving the 2022 TIME Dealer of the Year award.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Doug McElveen.

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