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A senate RESOLUTION

To honor Alfonso “Al” Boyd for his contributions as the commander of Disabled American Veterans chapter 19 in Chester and to recognize his continued efforts to support veterans.

Whereas, it is with great pleasure that the members of the South Carolina Senate recognize Alfonso Boyd, affectionately known as Al, for the impressive feats he has accomplished as the commander of the Disabled American Veterans (DAV) Chapter 19. His leadership has prevailed over difficult times, including the COVID-19 pandemic and the tragic loss of a former commander; and

Whereas, Commander Boyd has raised the bar for DAV Chapter 19 over his eight years of leadership by planning and executing excellent veterans programs such as the 2017 Wounded Warrior Amputee Softball Tournament and Banquet, numerous Quilt of Valor ceremonies, three Dinner with a General events celebrating all three native Chester County generals, the chapter’s first ever Vietnam Veteran Widow Recognition Ceremony, the Veterans Day Parade, Uniform Honor Guard, and many more; and

Whereas, through the utilization of his charismatic personality, humor, and personal experiences, Commander Boyd has become an excellent speaker and has emceed nine years of Memorial Day and Veterans Day events; and

Whereas, prioritizing the needs of veterans, Commander Boyd has combined the focus of all Chester County veterans organizations, and he coordinates veteran care by utilizing countywide sources. He exercises buddy care and has been known to spend countless hours on the phone with members and visiting the sick. Recently, he demonstrated his supportive nature by helping a homeless man receive homeless program funds, helping him secure a hotel room with church donation funds, and taking the man to church with him. Al was later able to get the man into a program in Rock Hill that assisted him further; and

Whereas, Commander Boyd is also a District 5 Committeeman and in this role he serves by distributing food bags to all chapters, scheduling Military Appreciation Night at Golden Corral for three chapters, scheduling fundraising activities, and educating the public about DAV programs. He also has served as the Department Sergeant at Arms for two years and faithfully attends all department events; and

Whereas, under his leadership, DAV Chapter 19 has strengthened its financial position and comradery while also being in observance of the chapter, department, and national constitution and bylaws. He is the top membership recruiter for the chapter. The South Carolina Senate is proud to recognize Al’s work as a twenty-year DAV member that goes above and beyond to ensure the success of the chapter and the fulfillment of its goals. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, honor Alfonso “Al” Boyd for his contributions as the commander of Disabled American Veterans Chapter 19 in Chester and recognize his continued efforts to support veterans.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Alfonso “Al” Boyd.

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