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A house RESOLUTION

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR Shannon B. Herndon, THE 4-H Agent for Bamberg and Barnwell Counties, AND TO COMMEND HER FOR TWENTY-FOUR YEARS OF DEDICATION to the Clemson University Extension program.

Whereas, the South Carolina House of Representatives is pleased to learn that Shannon B. Herndon has provided outstanding work for the 4-H Youth Development programs in Bamberg and Barnwell counties through the Clemson University Cooperative Extension Service; and

Whereas, Ms. Herndon gained experience in youth programming during her summers working as a camp counselor and assistant director at summer camps and as a youth director for junior and senior high youth in her home church. She earned a bachelor’s degree from Presbyterian College in 1987 and a master’s degree from Clemson University in agricultural education in 2004; and

Whereas, in her first professional job, she served as the Main Street manager in Denmark, South Carolina, working with downtown businesses to promote downtown, implement project goals, and provide technical assistance for property improvements; and

Whereas, Ms. Herndon began her Clemson University Extension career in Dorchester County in 1991 as a Visions for Youth agent with a W. K. Kellogg Foundation Grant to develop grassroot community programs for children 5-10 considered to be at risk: afterschool programs, tutoring, and mentoring programs, and summer reading and day camps in low-income housing and rural communities; and

Whereas, as the 4-H agent for Bamberg and Barnwell counties, Ms. Herndon reaches 4-H youth through agriculture, science, technology, shooting sports, natural resources, personal development, and leadership programs. Volunteers and teen leaders in the 4-H programs of the two counties lead such programs as beginning archery, sewing fun, kids in the kitchen, science on the move, nature rangers, citizenship, embryology, livestock fun day, kids’ farm days, Science in Ag, and Ag in a Bag; and

Whereas, some of Ms. Herndon’s most successful programs have been Camp Cowabunga, Camp Cluck Cluck, Horseless Horse Programs, Pet Pals, 4 Hoots for Owls, Swamp Critters, Bees and Bulls, Golf Cart Rodeo, Growing a Pizza Garden, Foods from Around the World, and Camouflage Camp; and

Whereas, during her twenty-four years, Ms. Herndon has encouraged twelve state 4-H winners, three Presidential Tray winners, a National Conference winner, Miss South Carolina 4-H, and seven state 4‑H Teen Council members, and she served as state 4-H Council advisor; and

Whereas, one of her favorite 4-H projects was working with renowned artist Jim Harrison to create the “4-H Barn” for South Carolina’s 4-H Centennial in 2008. His rural barns represent the heart of American culture that capture the past and celebrate the future of youth leadership, citizenship, and life skills through 4-H. His “4-H Barn” print is a symbol recognized nationally among 4-H agents and alumni and represents the pride of members in the world’s largest youth development program; and

Whereas, together with her husband, Henry “HotRod” Herndon, a retired game warden and fifth generation farmer, she reared two children, both of whom participated extensively in 4-H programs. She and her husband live on the family farm where they grow timber, and row crops, and raise cattle; and

Whereas, currently, Ms. Herndon is a member of the South Carolina Association Extension 4-H Agents and the National Association of Extension 4-H Agents. Her outstanding service has been recognized with the NAE4-HA Achievement in Service Award, Distinguished Service Award, Meritorious Service Award, Southern Region Communicator Award for Promotional Package, Periodical Publication and Radio Program Awards, and Excellence in 4-H Club Support Team Award. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, recognize and honor Shannon B. Herndon, the 4-H agent for Bamberg and Barnwell counties, and commend her for twenty-four years of dedication to the Clemson University Extension Program.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Shannon B. Herndon.

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