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A house RESOLUTION

TO CONGRATULATE THE WOMAN’S CLUB OF COLUMBIA AND ITS MEMBERS UPON THE ONE HUNDREDTH ANNIVERSARY AND TO THANK THE ORGANIZATION FOR ITS MANY YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE PEOPLE OF the city of COlUMBIA.

Whereas, the South Carolina House of Representatives is pleased to learn that on May 27, 2025, The Woman’s Club of Columbia will celebrate its one hundredth anniversary; and

Whereas, in 1924, members of the Civic League met to discuss the need for a Woman’s Club in the City of Columbia. In May of 1925, those women met at the Jefferson Hotel and The Woman’s Club of Columbia became a reality; and

Whereas, the goal of the club was to promote the educational, artistic, civic, humanitarian, and social issues which continue to this day; and

Whereas, the country dealt with the deep depression of the late 1920s and 1930s, and volunteer work was needed more than ever so the Woman’s Club of Columbia stepped up to help many families in crisis; and

Whereas, with increased membership, church community rooms no longer were adequate and eventually the task of building a clubhouse began during the unsettling climate of the war in Europe. These women were undeterred and accomplished the dream of having their own clubhouse; and

Whereas, by living the volunteer spirit, the Woman’s Club of Columbia joined the General Federation of Woman’s Clubs (GFWC) in 1942, to handle hands-on projects that provided immediate impact in Columbia; and

Whereas, the country was at war in Europe and the Pacific, and The Woman’s Club stepped up to aid in the war effort through tin can drives, volunteering at the USO and Red Cross, and hosting military families stationed at Fort Jackson; and

Whereas, in the decades to follow, donations were given to the March of Dimes, scholarships to students in need of college assistance, and participating in numerous fundraisers to enhance the lives of the citizens of Columbia; and

Whereas, as the membership declined, as many women began to work outside the home, and the cost of upkeep of the clubhouse began to exceed the available funds, the Board began to search for a buyer; and

Whereas, the clubhouse was eventually sold to the University of South Carolina. Through thoughtful actions, the membership decided to invest the proceeds from the sale and withdraw yearly earnings to award grants to qualifying 501(c)(3) organizations and thereby, create a lasting legacy for The Woman’s Club of Columbia; and

Whereas, the unselfish service and community leadership, shown by The Woman’s Club of Columbia, has made a meaningful difference in so many lives, over so many years, to the people of the city of Columbia. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, congratulate The Woman’s Club of Columbia upon the occasion of the one hundredth anniversary and thank this organization for its one hundred years of service to the people of this great city and State.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to The Woman’s Club of Columbia, South Carolina.

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