**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO HONOR AND CONGRATULATE LANCE CORPORAL BRIAN KIMBLE OF THE YORK POLICE DEPARTMENT ON RECEIVING THE SOUTH CAROLINA SHERIFFS’ ASSOCIATION MEDAL OF VALOR FOR COURAGEOUS ACTIONS ENDING A CRIME SPREE.

Whereas, the South Carolina House of Representatives is pleased to learn that Lance Corporal Brian Kimble of the York Police Department, having courageously taken action that brought an end to a 2011 crime spree, has been awarded the South Carolina Sheriffs’ Association Medal of Valor; and

Whereas, on September 14, 2011, York County Sheriff’s Office K‑9 officers were called to assist the York Police Department in tracking down a suspect responsible for two burglaries from businesses in York. During the search, the suspect fired a pistol at the K‑9 officers; and

Whereas, the suspect, a career criminal, was later found in an area on McClain Street in York, and Kimble and his partner responded to the location. Despite several warnings to put his weapon down, the suspect started firing his pistol at both officers. The officers responded quickly and professionally; and

Whereas, many homes and a school had to be evacuated during the hours‑long chase before the suspect’s death; and

Whereas, the South Carolina Medal of Valor was awarded to Lance Corporal Kimble for prudently and honorably protecting himself and his fellow officer, as well as the immediate public, from danger. His undaunted response to the suspect’s hostility ended a serious crime spree and restored order to the community; and

Whereas, the members of the House of Representatives recognize that the safety and security of our great State depend, in great measure, upon the courage and dedication of individuals like Lance Corporal Brian Kimble who put their lives on the line every day to protect the citizens of South Carolina. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, honor and congratulate Lance Corporal Brian Kimble of the York Police Department on receiving the South Carolina Sheriffs’ Association Medal of Valor for courageous actions ending a crime spree.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to Lance Corporal Brian Kimble.

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