**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND COMMEND LISA TROTT FOR NINETEEN YEARS AS AN OUTSTANDING EDUCATOR IN CHARLESTON COUNTY AND TO CONGRATULATE HER UPON BEING NAMED THE 2012‑2013 CHARLESTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT TEACHER OF THE YEAR.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives were pleased to learn that Lisa Trott was named Charleston County School District’s 2012‑2013 Teacher of the Year at a Charleston RiverDogs game at Riley Park on Friday, May 10, 2013; and

Whereas, along with this honor, she will receive a one‑year’s lease on a 2013 Volvo S‑16 from Volvo of Charleston and two hundred fifty dollars from Heritage Trust Federal Credit Union; and

Whereas, every school selects a teacher of the year, each of whom becomes a nominee for the county title and submits an application packet to the school district. A representative group of teachers from across the district comprise the superintendent’s Teacher Roundtable and chooses five finalists; and

Whereas, a panel of educators from outside the district then makes the final selection based on the applications, recommendations, interviews, and classroom observations of the finalists; and

Whereas, a fourth‑grade teacher at Ashley River Creative Arts Elementary in West Ashley, Lisa Trott had no plans to become a teacher when she entered college, beginning with a major in journalism and finishing with a degree in retail management; and

Whereas, after she married and had her first child, she chose to enter the teaching profession as a career because she felt it would be better suited to her family priorities; and

Whereas, an exceptional educator with National Board Certification, Mrs. Trott has taught in Charleston County schools for nineteen years and has remained at Ashley River Creative Arts Elementary since 2000, which she considers the best school in Charleston County; and

Whereas, she enjoys the challenge of teaching students to expect more out of themselves, to stretch their abilities, and to become the very best people they can be; and

Whereas, Mrs. Trott helped to start a club called Helping Hands for students at the school who were not chosen for arts‑specific clubs, and they participate in a broad variety of school activities, from being book buddies to taking charge of the school recycling program; and

Whereas, she directs a morning exercise team that choreographs short routines, which air on the morning news show, aimed at getting all students up and moving; and

Whereas, the South Carolina House of Representatives appreciates the significant impact that dedicated educators such as Lisa Trott have on molding the minds of our youth for adult roles in the Palmetto State and applaud her selection as Charleston County School District’s Teacher of the Year. 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 commend Lisa Trott for nineteen years as an outstanding educator in Charleston County and congratulate her upon being named the 2012‑2013 Charleston County School District Teacher of the Year.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to Lisa Trott.

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