**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR DR. JANE SHARP UPON THE OCCASION OF HER RETIREMENT AFTER EIGHT YEARS OF OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO THE YORK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT THREE SCHOOL BOARD AND TO WISH HER CONTINUED SUCCESS AND HAPPINESS IN ALL HER FUTURE ENDEAVORS.

Whereas, it is altogether fitting and proper that the members of the House of Representatives of the State of South Carolina should pause in their deliberations to express their gratitude to Dr. Jane Sharp for her significant contributions to the children of Rock Hill; and

Whereas, Dr. Jane Sharp will retire at the end of the 2017‑2018 school year from the school board of York County School District Three after eight years of service. Prior to serving on the school board, Dr. Sharp was an educator for many years; and

Whereas, she began her career teaching elementary grades in North Carolina and Georgia. She then went on to earn her doctorate from the University of South Carolina in school psychology. Following this, she served as a school psychologist for ten years in Richland County School District One. She transitioned into the role of elementary administrator, where she remained for twenty years; and

Whereas, in 1998, she and her husband moved to Rock Hill as she accepted the offer to be principal at Finley Road Elementary. After four years serving in this role, she was asked to become a part of the district‑wide rezoning, moving across town to assume the leadership of Belleview Elementary until her retirement in 2008; and

Whereas, in 2010, she was elected to the school board to represent Rock Hill Seat 4. Because of her vast leadership experience, she quickly adopted an achievement‑based attitude, leading her to advocate for better metrics to measure student progress and success. She believed strongly that increasing student achievement should be a major priority of the board and that this derives not necessarily from an increase in funds, but from more effective school organization and teacher collaboration; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives are grateful for the years of dedication Dr. Sharp has devoted to the education of the children of York County and wish her many years of enjoyment in her well‑earned retirement as she spends hours in nature, utilizing her Master Gardener skills. 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 Dr. Jane Sharp on the occasion of her retirement after eight years of outstanding service to the York County School District Three school board and wish her continued success and happiness in all her future endeavors.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Dr. Jane Sharp.

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