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A house RESOLUTION

TO APPLAUD THE BIG MO OF MONETTA UPON THE CELEBRATION OF ITS TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY IN THE DRIVE-IN THEATER INDUSTRY AND TO CONGRATULATE OWNERS RICHARD AND LISA BOAZ ON TWO AND A HALF DECADES OF SUCCESSFUL ENTREPRENEURIAL ENDEAVORS.

Whereas, the South Carolina House of Representatives is pleased to learn that Monetta’s Big Mo drive‑in theater and its proud owners, Richard and Lisa Boaz, are celebrating the business’s quarter‑century mark in 2024; and

Whereas, originally opened as a single‑screen theater in 1951, the business ceased operations in 1986 and remained abandoned until 1999, when Richard and Lisa decided to open it once again for customers. Of their decision to open the theater, Lisa states that it was her husband’s dream. Richard’s view: “If we have fun with it and it pays for itself, then the rest is gravy”; and

Whereas, in the years that followed, the theater would become a local sensation. In 2005, the business expanded to a two‑screen theater and in 2011 added yet another screen. Other upgrades also have taken place, such as the construction in 2014 of the peach‑shaped projector house. Richard chose this now‑iconic design as an appreciative nod to the abundant peach blossoms in the area; and

Whereas, locals love the theater as a source of fun, thanks in part to affordable prices for both tickets and concessions, which include candy, pizza, sodas, cotton candy, hot dogs, barbeque, hamburgers, popcorn, and more. To honor its silver anniversary, the Big Mo has created another hit with local residents: a limited‑edition cup that lists everyone who has worked at the theater; and

Whereas, appreciative of their contributions to the prosperity of the Palmetto State, the House of Representatives takes great pleasure in honoring Richard and Lisa Boaz, visionary owners of the Big Mo, on the occasion of the business’s twenty‑fifth anniversary in the drive‑in theater industry. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, applaud the Big Mo of Monetta upon the celebration of its twenty‑fifth anniversary in the drive‑in theater industry and congratulate owners Richard and Lisa Boaz on two and a half decades of successful entrepreneurial endeavors.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Richard and Lisa Boaz.

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