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**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND COMMEND MR. HAROLD T. DUKES, AND MRS. MELISSA BARFIELD FOR THEIR FAITHFUL COMMITMENT TO CHILDREN’S CANCER COOPERATIVE, INC., AND FOR MAKING IT A PREMIERE PROVIDER OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO PEDIATRIC PATIENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES.

Whereas, the Children’s Cancer Cooperative, Inc., is a South Carolina nonprofit corporation established in 1999; and

Whereas, its mission is to help children and their families meet their medical needs by providing funds necessary for the payment of medical bills and illness related expenses; and

Whereas, this is accomplished through donations from the cooperative to various children’s hospitals, and making direct payments to physicians, pharmacies, and medical equipment suppliers; and

Whereas, Mr. Harold T. Dukes, the founder of Children’s Cancer Cooperative, Inc., is married to his wife Rosie and resides on a farm in rural Charleston County. Together, they are the proud parents of four children and have eight grandchildren; and

Whereas, Mr. Dukes, because of his abundance blessings from God, established Children’s Cancer Cooperative, Inc., as a means to bless others as he has been blessed; and

Whereas, Mrs. Melissa Barfield, Secretary for Children’s Cancer Cooperative, Inc., is married to her husband Joseph. They are the proud parents of one daughter. A graduate of James Island High School and Trident Technical College, she serves as Mr. Dukes’ assistance and manages all internal documents and meeting arrangements with the hospitals and individuals that seek assistance from the cooperative; and

Whereas, she travels regularly to the hospitals that receive donations and visits the children and doctors that are served by the cooperative; and

Whereas, in 2010, the Children’s Cancer Cooperative supported the Shriners Hospital for Children with a one hundred thousand dollar donation. In 2009, it supported the Wolfson Children’s Hospital with a twenty‑five thousand dollar donation, made an eleven thousand dollar donation to the Miami Children’s Hospital Foundation, and assisted the Jacksonville Foundation with a five thousand dollar donation; and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper for the members of the House of Representatives to recognize the tireless efforts of Mr. Harold T. Dukes and Mrs. Melissa Barfield who have made Children’s Cancer Cooperative, Inc., a successful provider of financial assistance to pediatric patients and their families. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the House of Representatives, by this resolution, recognize and commend Mr. Harold T. Dukes and Mrs. Melissa Barfield for their faithful commitment to Children’s Cancer Cooperative, Inc., and for making it a premier provider of financial assistance to pediatric patients and their families.

Be it further resolved that a copies of this resolution be presented to Mr. Harold T. Dukes and Mrs. Melissa Barfield.

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