**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO URGE THE CITY COUNCIL OF COLUMBIA TO PUT FORTH A PUBLIC REFERENDUM ON THE BALLOT OF THE NOVEMBER 2010 ELECTION TO DETERMINE THE WILL OF THE PEOPLE OF COLUMBIA REGARDING CHANGING FROM A COUNCIL‑MANAGER FORM OF GOVERNMENT TO A MAYOR‑COUNCIL FORM OF GOVERNMENT WITH A FULL‑TIME MAYOR.

Whereas, Columbia currently has a Council‑Manager form of government; and

Whereas, the Mayor of Columbia is currently a part‑time position; and

Whereas, Columbia is the largest city by population in South Carolina; and

Whereas, Columbia has great need for an elected full‑time executive to manage its affairs. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the Richland County Delegation hereby urge the City Council of Columbia to put forth a public referendum on the ballot of the November 2010 election to determine the will of the people of Columbia regarding changing from a Council‑Manager form of government to a Mayor‑Council form of government with a full‑time Mayor.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the City Council of Columbia.

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