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**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO COMMEND ELIZA FRANKIE BROWN OF ORANGEBURG COUNTY, AGE FIFTEEN, FOR HER EXEMPLARY WORK IN CREATING PROJECT COOL BREEZE IN THE HOLLY HILL AREA.

Whereas, it is with great pleasure that the South Carolina House of Representatives honors individuals who freely give of their time and resources for the good of others, especially those who need it most; and

Whereas, having learned at an early age that it is more blessed to give than to receive, Eliza Frankie Brown of Orangeburg County, daughter of Frank and Patricia Brown, conceived the idea of helping the seniors in her community by supplying fans and air conditioners to those who could not afford them. Remembering the heat of South Carolina summers, she devoted herself to the project and in the process showed herself worthy of being numbered among those who are benefactors of mankind; and

Whereas, Eliza’s story had its beginning in 2007 while she was watching the news one night with her family in their Holly Hill home. Only eleven at the time, she saw Councilman Wendell Gilliard on television explaining how Project Cool Breeze worked and that its purpose was to provide fans and air conditioners to senior citizens who are in need to help them beat the heat during the summer months; and

Whereas, immediately, she realized that this program was one she really wanted to work with because it would help her provide the same service for the seniors in her community. She wrote a letter to Councilman Gilliard expressing her desire to help the seniors in her area and her hope that he would help her get Project Cool Breeze started there; and

Whereas, Councilman Gilliard (now South Carolina State Representative Gilliard) accepted the invitation to help Eliza and visited her at church to share some pertinent information about the project. Thanks to his assistance, Eliza was able to get the project started; and

Whereas, during the program’s first year, its governing committee sent letters to all the churches in Holly Hill, Eutawville, Vance, Santee, and Elloree, as well as to local businesses. With the help of donations, Project Cool Breeze was able to give thirty‑five air conditioners and ten fans that first summer. For the program’s second summer, letters went out to churches and community members for their support. As a result, the project was able to give twenty‑two air conditioners and seventeen fans, and the following summer, twenty‑two air conditioners and twelve fans; and

Whereas, now a rising junior at Lake Marion High School, Eliza has the annual satisfaction of seeing Project Cool Breeze continue to provide service for seniors in the Holly Hill area, as last year, when twenty‑seven air conditioners and twenty‑two fans were given to those seniors who qualified; and

Whereas, the House of Representatives recognizes that the success of the State of South Carolina, the strength of its communities, and the vitality of American society as a whole depend, in great measure, upon the dedication of young people like Eliza Frankie Brown, who use their talents and resources to serve others. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, commend Eliza Frankie Brown of Orangeburg County, age fifteen, for her exemplary work in creating Project Cool Breeze in the Holly Hill area.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to Eliza Frankie Brown.

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