**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND COMMEND THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE BLUE RIDGE LOG CABINS EXECUTIVE TEAM AND EMPLOYEES, LED BY PRESIDENT AND CEO MILTON A. “CHIP” SMITH, JR., TO THE STATE’S ECONOMY, AND TO THANK THE COMPANY FOR THE OUTSTANDING WORK THAT HAS HAD SUCH A POSITIVE IMPACT ON SOUTH CAROLINA’S REPUTATION AND VISIBILITY AS AN INNOVATIVE, PRO‑BUSINESS STATE WITH A HIGHLY SKILLED WORKFORCE.

Whereas, based in Campobello in Spartanburg County, Blue Ridge Log Cabins is a builder of national repute; and

Whereas, the company, founded in 1992, has pioneered innovative, cutting‑edge technology in the field of modular log‑home building, making the company a leader in its market nationally; and

Whereas, in both 2008 and 2009, Blue Ridge Log Cabins was recognized as one of the nation’s fastest‑growing privately held companies in the nation by *Inc.* magazine; and

Whereas, employing nearly one hundred South Carolinians, Blue Ridge Log Cabins attracts thousands of customers from across the nation each year to visit its offices and building facility, thus contributing to both the manufacturing and tourism economies of this great State; and

Whereas, Blue Ridge Log Cabins was featured on the premiere episode of HGTV’s *Amazing Log Homes* series; and

Whereas, Blue Ridge Log Cabins has been selected by ABC’s popular television program *Extreme Makeover: Home Edition*, a show seen weekly by ten million American viewers and one billion viewers worldwide, to be the featured builder and to construct a dream home for an episode to air during the program’s ninth season in the fall of 2011. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, recognize and commend the contributions of the Blue Ridge Log Cabins executive team and employees, led by president and CEO Milton A. “Chip” Smith, Jr., to the state’s economy, and thank the company for the outstanding work that has had such a positive impact on South Carolina’s reputation and visibility as an innovative, pro‑business State with a highly skilled workforce.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to Blue Ridge Log Cabins president and CEO Milton A. “Chip” Smith, Jr.

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