**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND CONGRATULATE THE YORK POLICE DEPARTMENT ON BEING NAMED AGENCY OF THE YEAR AMONG POLICE DEPARTMENTS OF SIMILAR SIZE BY THE SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY.

Whereas, the South Carolina House of Representatives is pleased to learn that the York Police Department has been named Agency of the Year among police departments of similar size by the South Carolina Department of Public Safety; and

Whereas, honored in part for its enforcement of drinking‑and‑driving laws, the York Police Department made eighty‑six DUI‑related arrests, up from thirty‑four arrests in 2012; and

Whereas, in addition, officers worked with the South Carolina Highway Patrol to conduct additional checkpoint screenings throughout the year and hosted talks with local youth to teach them about the dangers of drunk driving; and

Whereas, the labors of these hard‑working officers bear significant fruit for traffic safety. Steven Burritt, program and fund development manager for Mothers Against Drunk Driving in South Carolina, says research shows high‑visibility checkpoints drive down alcohol‑related fatalities; and

Whereas, the House of Representatives, grateful for the outstanding work of the York Police Department, takes great pleasure in saluting the department on its fine achievement and its exemplary work in helping to keep our citizens safe, and extend heartiest congratulations to York Police Chief Andy Robinson and his officers on their wonderful accomplishment. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, recognize and congratulate the York Police Department on being named Agency of the Year among police departments of similar size by the South Carolina Department of Public Safety.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to Chief Andy Robinson for the York Police Department.

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