**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO HONOR JANE WILEY, STATE DIRECTOR FOR AARP SOUTH CAROLINA, FOR HER MORE THAN EIGHT YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE SENIORS OF THIS GREAT STATE, TO CONGRATULATE HER ON THE OCCASION OF HER RETIREMENT, AND TO WISH HER MUCH SUCCESS AND FULFILLMENT IN ALL HER FUTURE ENDEAVORS.

Whereas, having served the seniors of the Palmetto State with excellence for more than eight years, Jane Wiley, state director for AARP South Carolina, will soon be leaving the post she has filled with such distinction to enjoy retirement; and

Whereas, in preparation for her life’s work, Jane Wiley earned her bachelor’s degree at Lincoln University in Missouri and her master’s degree at the University of California at Riverside. She is married to Jim Wiley; and

Whereas, prior to joining AARP, she managed governmental affairs and did local organizing and lobbying in Washington, D.C., for several nonprofit organizations, including the Animal Protection Institute, American Chemical Society, and League of Women Voters. She also did this work through her own consulting firm; and

Whereas, beginning at the Southwest Regional Office in Dallas, Jane launched her AARP career in 1995. While serving in the Southwest Region, she worked with advocacy volunteers in eight states. Before taking on the duties of state director for AARP South Carolina, she worked as AARP South Carolina legislative director; and

Whereas, as state director, she has overseen a staff of seven charged with the advancement of AARP’s goals and priorities in South Carolina. Jane also chairs the Elder Trust Fund that provides grants for innovative services for seniors; and

Whereas, she has not gone unappreciated. Jane was honored by the South Carolina Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers (NASW) as Public Citizen of the Year. In giving the award, the NASW cited her work on numerous legislative issues, including the passage of South Carolina’s Predatory Lending Law, funding for Medicaid, and the NASW student chapter’s annual lobby day. Further, under her watch, AARP was awarded the 2005 Community Service Award and the 2010 Nonprofit Award from *Imara Woman* magazine; and

Whereas, grateful for Jane Wiley’s commitment to the seniors of South Carolina, the Senate takes great pleasure in recognizing her many years of outstanding service. The members wish her well as she enters retirement and trust she will find much enjoyment in the more leisurely pace of the days ahead. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, honor Jane Wiley, state director for AARP South Carolina, for her more than eight years of dedicated service to the seniors of this great State, congratulate her on the occasion of her retirement, and wish her much success and fulfillment in all her future endeavors.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to Jane Wiley.

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