**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO PROCLAIM APRIL 9, 2019, AS “STEM EDUCATION DAY” THROUGHOUT THE STATE AND TO ENCOURAGE ALL SOUTH CAROLINIANS TO JOIN IN RECOGNIZING THE POSITIVE IMPACT THAT STEM EDUCATION HAS ON THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR THE RESIDENTS OF THE PALMETTO STATE.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina General Assembly recognize the importance of mastering the world‑class knowledge that science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) education provides for students of all South Carolina schools; and

Whereas, career opportunities in STEM fields, such as advanced manufacturing, computing, and engineering, continue to grow in South Carolina; and

Whereas, STEM learning, whether in school, afterschool, or in a wide variety of formal and informal learning settings, contributes to increased STEM knowledge and skills; and

Whereas, partnerships between education and industry are key to promoting, supporting, and improving STEM education in South Carolina; and

Whereas, STEM learning is enhanced by dedicated and well‑prepared teachers, mentors, and volunteers; and

Whereas, the Palmetto State is committed to providing its next generation of leaders with a rigorous, well‑rounded education; and

Whereas, it is important to recognize and promote success in both student and teacher accomplishments in STEM. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:

That the members of the South Carolina General Assembly, by this resolution, proclaim April 9, 2019, as “Stem Education Day” throughout the State and encourage all South Carolinians to join in recognizing the positive impact that STEM education has on the quality of life for the residents of the Palmetto State.

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