**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND CELEBRATE THE LAST WEEK IN AUGUST 2021 AS “FAMILY WEEK” IN THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA AND TO ENCOURAGE ALL SOUTH CAROLINIANS TO CELEBRATE FAMILY DURING “FAMILY WEEK.”

Whereas, throughout the history of the United States, the family unit, along with the church and schools, has been the most important institution in the development of the strength and prosperity of the nation; and

Whereas, this resolution is intended to bolster the ever‑lessening influence of the American family on the national scene due to a deterioration of the cohesiveness of the family induced by many undermining forces on the national society; and

Whereas, this waning of the American family’s influence has resulted in the weakening of the moral and spiritual fiber of the American people, bringing about an increase in crime, including child abuse, alcohol abuse, drug abuse, and other crippling problems, to the extent that even the economy of the nation has suffered; and

Whereas, the General Assembly believes strongly in the importance of the family and recognizes it as a vital structure for the rebuilding of a strong and wholesome society. 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, recognize and celebrate the last week in August 2021 as “Family Week” in the State of South Carolina and to encourage all South Carolinians to celebrate family during “Family Week.”

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