**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR ALLUETTE K. JONES, OWNER OF CHARLESTON’S ALLUETTE’S CAFÉ, FOR HER COMMUNITY SERVICE AND THE ENTREPRENEURIAL ENDEAVORS THAT HAVE ADDED SO MUCH LOWCOUNTRY CHARM TO SOUTH CAROLINA’S COASTAL AREA.

Whereas, it is with great pleasure that the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives honor individuals who freely give of their time and resources for the good of others; and

Whereas, Alluette K. Jones, owner of Charleston’s Alluette’s Café, has contributed valuable community service to the citizens of the Palmetto State and is thereby worthy of praise; and

Whereas, firmly believing in active community involvement, this committed wife and mother has served on the board of directors for the Center for Women, Slow Food Movement, and Beaufort Arts Council; and

Whereas, in addition, her entrepreneurial spirit has resulted in several business enterprises that have added much charm and offered healthy sustenance to both citizens and visitors in the Lowcountry. As the owner of Alluette’s Café, located at 80‑A Reid Street in Charleston, Alluette Jones serves what she dubs “holistic soul food” and is an active participant in the “Slow Food Movement.” She promotes healthy eating as she provides her customers with fresh local organic vegetables and hormone‑free meats and seafoods; and

Whereas, the daughter of William H. and Elfreda S. Jones, Alluette was born in Mount Pleasant and graduated from General William Moultrie High School in 1970. She furthered her education at Savannah State University, where in 1973 she earned a bachelor’s degree in history, followed by training in fashion design and modeling; and

Whereas, in order to pursue her love for nutritious Lowcountry foods, Alluette, known in the Lowcountry as “Lady Soul,” opened the Famous Patio Tea Room and the Line Street Grill & Grocery Store in Charleston, both ventures proving quite successful; and

Whereas, she then diversified her culinary skills with the establishment of Alluette’s Sandwich Shoppe in Beaufort and Alluette’s Restaurant & Art Gallery in Hampton. Next, desiring to focus her business endeavors on her hometown, Alluette sold the Beaufort and Hampton locations and opened the now‑famous Alluette’s Café. Her talents led her naturally into serving holistic soul foods with a Lowcountry flare, based on her grandmother’s recipes; and

Whereas, as testimony to her health‑promoting entrepreneurial vision, Alluette’s Café has received rave revues in Oprah Winfrey’s *O Magazine*, *Travel & Leisure*, *Southern Living*, *Charleston Magazine*, and the *City Paper*; and

Whereas, the members of the House of Representatives recognize that the success of the State of South Carolina, the strength of its communities, and the vitality of American society as a whole depend, in great measure, upon the dedication of individuals like Alluette K. Jones who use their talents and resources to serve others. 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 honor Alluette K. Jones, owner of Charleston’s Alluette’s Café, for her community service and the entrepreneurial endeavors that have added so much Lowcountry charm to South Carolina’s coastal area.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to Alluette K. Jones.

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