**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE ELIZABETH “BETH” DINNDORF ON THE OCCASION OF HER RETIREMENT, TO COMMEND HER FOR HER YEARS OF OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE AS PRESIDENT OF COLUMBIA COLLEGE, AND TO WISH HER MUCH HAPPINESS AND FULFILLMENT IN THE YEARS TO COME.

Whereas, the members of the General Assembly are pleased to recognize and honor Elizabeth A. Dinndorf, the eighteenth president of Columbia College, for her many accomplishments in service to Richland County and the State; and

Whereas, under her leadership, Columbia College has continued to build on its 163-year history and stellar academic reputation. Dinndorf has steered the college in a bold new direction, integrating real‑world experiences and career preparation into the college’s liberal arts education; and

Whereas, an attorney and senior business executive, Dinndorf formerly served as senior vice president and manager of student banking services at U.S. Bank in St. Paul, Minneapolis. She also served as senior vice president and national sales manager of education financial services at Wells Fargo Bank; and

Whereas, Dinndorf has been an active advocate for education and women’s leadership, serving for eighteen years on the Board of Trustees at the College of Saint Benedict. She was recognized as a 2014 Woman of Distinction by the Girl Scouts Midlands to Mountains and was presented the 2015 Distinguished Community Leadership Award for Governance by Richland County Council; and

Whereas, a civic-minded member of her community, Dinndorf serves on the Board of Directors for Central Carolina Community Foundation and Sisters of Charity Foundation. She also chaired the American Heart Association’s 2015 Midlands Go Red for Women luncheon, where she led a record‑breaking campaign. Dinndorf is a member of the Columbia Rotary Club, the Midlands Business Leadership Group, and Women in Philanthropy; and

Whereas, Dinndorf received a Bachelor of Arts degree in mathematics from the College of Saint Benedict and a Juris Doctor degree, cum laude, from William Mitchell College of Law in St. Paul; and

Whereas, the members of the General Assembly appreciate the grace, determination, and sincerity of Elizabeth A. Dinndorf in serving the State and the people of South Carolina. Now, therefore,

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

That the members of the South Carolina General Assembly, by this resolution, congratulate Elizabeth “Beth” Dinndorf on the occasion of her retirement, commend her for her years of outstanding leadership and service as president of Columbia College, and wish her much happiness and fulfillment in the years to come.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Elizabeth A. Dinndorf.

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