**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO HONOR THE TIMKEN COMPANY’S HONEA PATH PLANT AT THE CELEBRATION OF ITS FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY, TO CONGRATULATE THE PLANT ON A HALF‑CENTURY OF OUTSTANDING ENTREPRENEURIAL ENDEAVORS, AND TO EXTEND BEST WISHES FOR CONTINUED SUCCESS IN THE YEARS TO COME.

Whereas, the South Carolina House is pleased to learn that the Timken Company’s Honea Path plant is celebrating its half‑century anniversary in 2019; and

Whereas, the Timken Company designs a growing portfolio of engineered bearings and power transmission products. With more than a century of knowledge and innovation, the company continuously improves the reliability and efficiency of global machinery and equipment to move the world forward. Timken posted $3.6 billion dollars in sales in 2018 and employs over eighteen thousand people globally, operating from thirty‑five countries. This world‑leading manufacturer of bearings and mechanical power transmission products continuously improves its portfolio and related services to make global industries stronger; and

Whereas, the Timken Company’s Honea Path bearing plant provides tapered roller bearings and has expertise in grinding, match bearing assembly, and engineered surfaces technology. The Torrington Company built the plant in 1969 to produce precision pins and shafts, and the Timken Company purchased this facility in 2003. Since then, the Honea Path plant has transformed into a diverse manufacturing operation that offers a range of products and services valued by customers located around the globe. The company currently employs more than three hundred associates; and

Whereas, through the Timken Foundation and the Timken Company’s charitable trust, the Honea Path plant has served its surrounding communities with charitable giving that has surpassed a million dollars over the past ten years. Locally, organizations such as Habitat for Humanity of Anderson County, the City of Belton, the City of Honea Path, local fire departments, Golden Harvest, the Anderson Museum, and many other charities have partnered with the Honea Path plant to better serve local communities; and

Whereas, to commemorate its fifty‑year milestone, the plant will host an anniversary celebration on June 8, 2019; and

Whereas, appreciative of its contributions to the prosperity of the Palmetto State, the House is delighted to salute the Timken Company’s Honea Path plant on fifty years of excellence in serving the citizens of South Carolina and beyond. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, honor the Timken Company’s Honea Path plant at the celebration of its fiftieth anniversary, congratulate the plant on a half‑century of outstanding entrepreneurial endeavors, and extend best wishes for continued success in the years to come.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to the Timken Company’s Honea Path plant.

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