**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR KEVIN HUDSON OF HURRICANE MARTIAL ARTS CENTER AND TO CONGRATULATE HIM UPON THE THIRTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF HIS BUSINESS.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives are pleased to learn that Kevin Hudson will celebrate thirty years of being in business with the Hurricane Martial Arts Center on January 13, 2022; and

Whereas, a native of Spartanburg District Five, Mr. Hudson grew up in Lyman and graduated from Byrnes High School in 1989. He began studying karate in 1979 at the age of eight and has continued to study this martial art throughout the last forty‑three years; and

Whereas, he earned a bachelor’s degree in business from the University of South Carolina Spartanburg where he met his beloved wife, Shannon. They were married in 1994 and live in Duncan with their three fine children: Keller, Dawson, and Hamilton; and

Whereas, thirty years ago, Mr. Hudson turned this love of karate into a successful business when he purchased the martial arts academy in January of 1992; and

Whereas, during three decades as the owner of the Hurricane Martial Arts Center in Lyman, he has influenced over two thousand students who studied under his guidance; and

Whereas, Mr. Hudson leads self‑defense seminars and anti‑bullying programs, and teaches classes on respect and discipline throughout the Upstate of South Carolina and North Carolina; and

Whereas, a community and family advocate, as well as an author and speaker, Mr. Hudson has twice been named a world champion kickboxer; and

Whereas, a faithful member of Poplar Springs Baptist Church, he serves the congregation as a deacon and Sunday school teacher; and

Whereas, the South Carolina House of Representatives appreciates the talent and entrepreneurial spirit of citizens like Kevin Hudson, and the members wish him continued success as he instructs and advocates for young people in the Palmetto State. 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 Kevin Hudson of Hurricane Martial Arts Center and congratulate him upon the thirtieth anniversary of his business.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Kevin Hudson.

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