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A senate RESOLUTION

TO RECOGNIZE march 2023 AS “Social work MONTH” IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

Whereas, social workers for decades have been dedicated to improving and empowering individuals and families to break barriers in order to reach their full potential; and

Whereas, social workers, as the largest group of mental health care providers in the United States, are on the front line every day to help people, whether in‑person or remotely, overcome substance use disorders and mental illnesses such as depression and anxiety; and

Whereas, social workers help people overcome issues such as death and grief and help people and communities recover from natural disasters such as fires, hurricanes, and earthquakes; and

Whereas, social workers help this nation live up to its values by advocating for equal rights for all. They push for change that makes our society a better place to live and have been instrumental to changes such as implementation of a livable wage, improved workplace safety, and social safety net programs that help ameliorate poverty, hunger, and homelessness; and

Whereas, this year’s Social Work Month theme, Social Work Breaks Barriers, recognizes how social workers empower individuals, families, communities, and our society to overcome hurdles that prevent them from achieving better well‑being. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, recognize March 2023 as “Social Work Month” in South Carolina.

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