

RESOLUTION

THE COUNCIL FOR THE COUNTY OF LEXINGTON, SOUTH CAROLINA, MEETING IN GENERAL SESSION THE 24TH DAY OF JUNE, TWO THOUSAND AND EIGHT, ADOPTED THE FOLLOWING:

WHEREAS, Mayor John Gibbons and Irmo Town Council have created an environment and appreciation for tree planting, environmental awareness and community pride; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Irmo's Arbor Day Committee has conducted successful fund raising activities, tree planting and environmental awareness programs such as "Grinding of the Greens" and Keep the Midlands Beautiful anti-litter campaigns; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Irmo has created staff and positions for the purchase and development of the town park and significant plantings at the I-26 intersections leading into town and to Lake Murray; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Irmo was one of the first municipalities in the state to enact a riparian buffer for protecting water quality; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Irmo has been recognized by the Lexington Conservation District and has been nominated for recognition by the Urban & Community Forestry Council and the South Carolina Wildlife Federation and serve as an example to other communities for what can be accomplished.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that we, the members of Lexington County Council, recognize **MAYOR JOHN GIBBONS, IRMO TOWN COUNCIL, THE TOWN OF IRMO'S ARBOR DAY COMMITTEE, AND STAFF** for their efforts in beautification, environmental protection, and providing leadership in enhanced "Quality of Life" for the residents of Irmo, Lexington County, and indeed all the citizens of the Central Midlands.

William C. "Billy" Derrick, Chairman

Debra B. "Debbie" Summers, Vice Chairman

James E. "Jim" Kinard, Jr.

George H. "Smokey" Davis

Bobby C. Keisler

Johnny W. Jeffcoat

John W. Carrigg, Jr.

William B. Banning, Sr.

M. Todd Cullum

ATTEST:

Diana W. Burnett, Clerk