STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)	
)	RESOLUTION NO. 11-01
COUNTY OF DORCHESTER)	

WHEREAS, Miriam Ann Beeson was born November 5, 1937 in Winterton, Trinity Bay, Newfoundland, Canada, daughter of the late Noah Piercey and Susanna Piercey, and was adopted and raised by her late aunt and uncle, Rhoda Maude Piercey and Arthur Piercey, and attended Winterton schools; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Beeson lived in Sumter, South Carolina, Syracuse, New York, Wahiawa, Hawaii, Crestview, Florida, Kernersville, North Carolina and Charleston, South Carolina before settling in Summerville, and worked as a Nursing Assistant at The Village at Summerville; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Beeson worked with the SPCA, received the Woman of Achievement Award from the Republican Women's Caucus of the South Carolina House of Representatives, and was one of the founders of Keep Dorchester County Beautiful who served on the Keep Dorchester County Beautiful Board for more than fifteen years; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Beeson received many awards from KDCB and Palmetto Pride for her work with Keep Dorchester County Beautiful, demonstrated her dedication to the community in many ways, was a guiding force behind the Dorchester County River Sweep for many years and volunteered at every River Sweep since its inception; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Beeson is survived by her husband of 56 years, Marvin Beeson, one daughter Susan Harrelson, and one son, Gregory James Beeson, three grandchildren; Jeremy David Sanders, Jennifer Michelle Hagley, and Elizabeth Ann Harrelson, four great grandchildren; Kallee, Skyla, Carley and Jeremy Dayton, and three brothers; Walter Piercey, Charles Piercey and Frances Piercey; and

WHEREAS, the annual River Sweep event will be named the Dorchester County/Miriam Beeson River Sweep in recognition of her efforts to grow and support this important event to the community and the environment.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that upon adoption of this Resolution, the original shall be presented to her family and a copy filed in the permanent records of Dorchester County, South Carolina.

ADOPTED this 18th day of January, 2011

DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL

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Sandy W. Lawley, Clerk