

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA)
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COUNTY OF DORCHESTER)

RESOLUTION NO. 12-10

WHEREAS, Merle Handelsman, a citizen of Dorchester County, is a native of New York State and a graduate of Forest Hills High School in Queens, New York. She is the proud mother of a son, Scott Handelsman, and a daughter, Debra Lowry; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Handelsman is a dedicated member of the Charleston Dorchester Mental Health Center Board as she has been for more than 20 years, serving in numerous capacities. She is known for moving the Board forward, making motions when needed and not allowing the Board to get bogged down in unnecessary rhetoric; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Handelsman actively served the Dorchester County Board of Elections, working the polls as a Clerk for more than 20 years. She was one of the best, most knowledgeable and reliable Clerks Dorchester County had, and she trained many others. She also actively registered many new potential voters; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Handelsman is an Emeritis Member of the Frances R. Willis SPCA's Board of Directors, which she has served on for more than 30 years; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Handelsman received the Woman of the Year Achievement Award in 2004 from the Republican Women's Caucus for exceptional leadership and exemplary public service to the community and the state of South Carolina; and

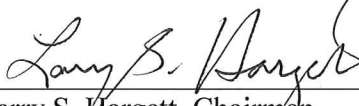
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Dorchester County Council expresses its sincere appreciation to Ms. Handelsman for her dedication, commitment and tireless service to the people of Dorchester County.

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

ADOPTED this 7th day of May, 2012.

DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL

BY:


Larry S. Hargett, Chairman

ATTEST:


Sandy W. Lawley, Clerk