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WHEREAS, the undersigned has been notified that there presently exists a vacancy in the office of Auditor of Anderson County due to the death of George Jackson "Jacky" Hunter, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, a general election for the unexpired term associated with the aforementioned office is scheduled to be held on November 8, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Anderson County Board of Elections and Voter Registration has confirmed that John Benca, who prevailed in a primary election conducted on June 14, 2022, is the only candidate in the aforementioned general election for the office of Auditor of Anderson County; and

WHEREAS, absent prior action by the undersigned, a vacancy will remain in the office of Auditor of Anderson County such that the residents thereof will be without representation and services of a county auditor pending the results of the November 8, 2022 general election, which is now uncontested, and qualification of a successor; and

WHEREAS, in the event of a vacancy in the office of a county auditor, the undersigned is authorized to appoint a suitable person, who shall be an elector of the county, to serve as county auditor pursuant to sections 1-3-220(2) and 4-11-20(1) of the South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended; and

WHEREAS, for the aforementioned reasons, and in accordance with the cited authorities and other applicable law, the undersigned has determined that it is appropriate under the circumstances presented to appoint a suitable person to serve as Auditor of Anderson County until a successor shall qualify as provided by law; and

WHEREAS, John Benca, of Anderson, South Carolina, is a fit and proper person to serve as Auditor of Anderson County.

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NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of South Carolina and pursuant to the Constitution and Laws of this State and the powers conferred upon me therein, I hereby appoint John Benca to serve as Auditor of Anderson County until a successor shall qualify as provided by law. This Order is effective immediately.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, THIS 29th DAY OF JULY, 2022.

HENRY MCMASTER Governor

ATTEST:

MARK HAMMOND
Secretary of State