Governor’s Nuclear Advisory Council Motion on Plutonium Pit Production Mission

WHEREAS, South Carolina has a proven track record as a state with superior workforce skills used to manufacture automobiles, trucks, textiles, aircraft, tritium, machinery, equipment, and many other products;

WHEREAS, for nearly seventy years, Savannah River Site (“SRS”) has a longstanding history of providing a highly skilled workforce both to support and to accomplish national security missions for the United States;

WHEREAS, with thousands of manufacturers in South Carolina, over 11,000 skilled workforce at Savannah River Site, an education pipeline proven to provide workers trained in nuclear related fields and technology, and strong community support in the two state region, we have the trained workforce, the experience, and the talent necessary to support the Department of Energy’s Plutonium Pit Production mission at Savannah River Site;

WHEREAS, with Savannah River Site’s long-standing safety and environmental protection record, we are confident of SRS’s ability to manage both the Plutonium Pit Production Mission along with the Mixed-Oxide Fuel Fabrication Facility;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT as part of the Nuclear Advisory Council’s statutory responsibilities, the Nuclear Advisory Council supports the expansion of the Department of Energy’s Plutonium Pit Production mission to Savannah River Site and encourages the Honorable Henry McMaster as Governor to work with our state’s congressional delegation and other leaders to secure this important national mission for South Carolina.

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