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10,000 TREES FOR CHARLESTON FOLLY ROAD TREE PLANTING

Charleston, S.C. – A tree planting was held on Folly Road by 10,000 Trees for Charleston on Thursday. City of Charleston Mayor Joseph P. Riley, Jr., Town of James Island Mayor Bill Woolsey and 10,000 Trees for Charleston Chairman Jimmy Bailey were present at the event to celebrate the planting of six crepe myrtles along Folly Road at the Wappoo Cut Boat Landing. The planting was the first in a series of future plantings along Folly Road.

Generous donations from Henry Ravenel, Susan Pearlstine, The Garden Club of Charleston, Riverdogs Baseball Club as well as donations “In Memory of Hank Melfi” and in honor of the Motley Family Children (Mark Elliott Motley, Jennifer Motley Lee, Carter Lee, Hutch Lee, Eliza Lee, and Wills Lee) covered the cost of the crepe myrtles and will contribute to the purchase of additional trees for Folly Road.

The preliminary count of trees planted in the City this year is 2,484, which includes 341 trees that were purchased and planted through donations to 10,000 Trees for Charleston. The preliminary number does not yet include the trees planted through zoning requirements on development properties. A final number will be available early next year.

Since the inception of 10,000 Trees for Charleston in 2012, at least 3,867 trees have been planted in the City of Charleston (this number will rise when trees planted through zoning requirements on development properties are added).

Mayor Joseph P. Riley, Jr. said, “The urban forest contributes to the livability of a city and positively impacts the air quality. Each tree that we plant is a special gift that we give to future generations.”

10,000 Trees for Charleston is funded by community and corporate donations and grants. Donations are used to plant trees along SCDOT rights-of-way. For more information or to make a donation contact Jennifer Scales at scalesj@charleston-sc.gov.

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