**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND CONGRATULATE THE TIMBERLAND HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM ON ITS IMPRESSIVE WIN OF THE 2011 CLASS AA‑DIVISION I STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

Whereas, supremely ready for the challenge, the Timberland High School football team nailed the 2011 Class AA‑Division I State Championship title, defeating Woodruff 20‑3 on December 2, 2011; and

Whereas, Benedict College’s Charles W. Johnson Stadium echoed with the cheers of exuberant Timberland fans, pleased to see their confident predictions of victory realized as a satisfying end to an outstanding 14‑1 season. By the end of the title game, the Wolves’ admirers were already looking with anticipation to a repeat performance next year; and

Whereas, such victories do not come overnight; they take determination and hard work. With proven consistency in both, Coach Art Craig has built his football program into a championship team that refuses to settle for second best; and

Whereas, making a scintillating win even brighter, the championship victory gave Timberland its first football title since the school’s opening in 1996; and

Whereas, in addition, Coach Craig was named 2011 High School Sports Report Class AA‑Division I Coach of the Year; and

Whereas, the Wolves have brought great pride and recognition to their school and community, and the members of the House of Representatives are pleased to have this opportunity to recognize such a wonderful group of young athletes. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, recognize and congratulate the Timberland High School football team on its impressive win of the 2011 Class AA‑Division I State Championship title.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Principal Kerry Daugherty and Coach Art Craig of Timberland High School.

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