**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE PATINA RENEA MILLER ON WINNING A TONY AWARD FOR HER PERFORMANCE IN *PIPPIN*, AND TO WISH HER MUCH SUCCESS AND HAPPINESS IN ALL HER FUTURE ENDEAVORS.

Whereas, Patina Renea Miller is a Tony Award‑winning singer and actress who resides in New York City. She recently married David Mars, a New York City businessman; and

Whereas, born in Pageland, South Carolina in 1984, Patina was introduced to gospel music early in life. She attended the Governor’s School for the Arts and Humanities where she graduated with a degree in musical theatre in 2006. She went on to attend Carnegie Mellon University where she began to realize that her dream of singing on Broadway was within reach; and

Whereas, Patina was first noticed in the theater scene in 2009 when she starred in *Sister Act: A Divine Musical Comedy*. She played the role of Delores Van Cartier, the accidental nun who led a choir to stardom, and earned rave reviews for her role. She was nominated for a Tony Award for this role, as well as the Outer Critics Circle Award for Outstanding Actress in a Musical, the Drama League Award for Distinguished Performance, and the Drama Desk Award for Outstanding Actress in a Musical in 2011. She also won the Theatre World Award for her role. Patina went on to play the role of leading player in *Pippin* and won a Tony Award in 2013 for best performance by a leading actress for this role. She has also appeared in *American Idiot*, *The Book of Mormon*, *All My Children*, and the Public Theater’s 2008 production of *Hair*; and

Whereas, Patina most recently starred in *The Hunger Games: Mockingjay‑Part 1* and will star in *The Hunger Games: Mockingjay‑Part 2*. Patina joined CBS’s *Madame Secretary* in March 2014. She will play the part of Daisy Grant; and

Whereas, the members of the Senate appreciate the pride and recognition that Patina has brought to the Palmetto State and congratulate her for her many accomplishments. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the Senate, by this resolution, congratulate Patina Renea Miller on winning a Tony Award for her performance in *Pippin*, and wish her much success and happiness in all her future endeavors.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Patina Renea Miller.

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