**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE THE HARTSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL INDOOR PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE, DIRECTOR OF BANDS, AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS FOR WINNING THE 2013 SOUTH CAROLINA BAND DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION WINTER ENSEMBLE CLASS AAA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

Whereas, the South Carolina House of Representatives is pleased to learn that the members of Hartsville High School indoor percussion ensemble took top honors at the state competition on March 23, 2013, at Ashley Ridge High School in Summerville; and

Whereas, Hartsville High entered the state championship in the novice division, competed against five schools, and emerged victorious after silencing the audience with a dramatic piece they entitled “Shattered,” which deals with the concept of different emotions and is based on an original song by Upstate percussion instructor Robert Dykens; and

Whereas, the championship percussion group is comprised of a dedicated and hardworking group of students, including Karlee Eagan, Alterric Singletary, Abi Baur, Jenei Peterson, Ansley Sansbury, McCrae Jones, Chase Prince, Tee Tee Brewer, Tyshon McCants, Isaac Peterson, Jace Jackson, Kristen Chukes, Hannah Forrester, Dominique McCullen, Annitra Goodman, and Courtney Barfield; and

Whereas, espousing the belief that success happens when ownership takes place, Director of Bands J. Lance Stockton, in just his second year at Hartsville High School, and Assistant Director Marlin Ketter inspired these talented student musicians to win the state championship by urging them to take ownership of their music; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives are grateful for the pride and recognition that the Hartsville High indoor percussion ensemble has brought to their school and their community, and look forward to hearing of their continued accomplishments in the years ahead. 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 honor the Hartsville High School indoor percussion ensemble, director of bands, and school officials for outstanding performances and congratulate them for winning the Class AAA State Championship title.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Dr. Charles E. Burry, Jr., principal, and Director of Bands J. Lance Stockton.

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