**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE DUTCH FORK HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS VARSITY BASKETBALL TEAM, COACHES, AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS FOR AN OUTSTANDING SEASON AND TO CONGRATULATE THEM FOR CAPTURING THE 2014 CLASS AAAA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

Whereas, the South Carolina House of Representatives is pleased to learn that the members of the Dutch Fork High School girls varsity basketball team garnered first place for the third straight year at the state competition at the Colonial Life Arena in Columbia on Friday, March 7, 2014; and

Whereas, in a nail‑biting second half of the championship game, the Dutch Fork Lady Silver Foxes delighted their faithful fans by pulling away and defeating Greenwood High School 62‑55; and

Whereas, Dutch Fork seemed as though they would sail to the team’s third consecutive crown as they left the floor for the half, up 20‑2, but the Greenwood Eagles outscored Dutch Fork 20‑13 in the third quarter, then whittled the Lady Silver Foxes’ lead to one point with only two minutes left in the game; and

Whereas, by controlling the tempo of the game, the Lady Silver Foxes converted a one‑point lead to a seven‑point win; and

Whereas, in the championship game, Dutch Fork’s senior point guard, Sydney Shull, posted 10 points and seven assists; junior Morgan Williams in the post put up 17 points and thirteen rebounds; Zhane Green led her team with 21 points, and Olivia Anderson contributed another 10 points; and

Whereas, the Lady Silver Foxes hit the backboards and pressed throughout their season, establishing themselves as a triple crown dynasty in the Midlands and boasting a 20‑7 record; and

Whereas, in a sport that demands strength, agility, and accuracy, Head Coach Faye Norris and her skilled coaching staff used their own athletic ability and training to build a championship team and teach these athletes valuable life lessons both on and off court; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives appreciate the pride and recognition that the Dutch Fork High School basketball players have brought to their school and their community and look to hear of their continuing success. 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 Dutch Fork High School girls varsity basketball team, coaches, and school officials for an outstanding season and congratulate them for capturing the 2014 Class AAAA State Championship title.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Dr. Greg Owings, principal of Dutch Fork High School, and Coach Faye Norris.

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