**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND CONGRATULATE ARTHUR BERNARD CARTIER OF RIDGELAND FOR CAPTURING THE TITLE OF “HOUSE MEMBER FOR A DAY” IN THE 2014 SPEECH COMPETITION.

Whereas, in the “Senator for a Day” speech competition, two winners are named: one as “Senator for a Day” and one as “House Member for a Day”;

Whereas, the House of Representatives is pleased to learn that Arthur Bernard Cartier of Ridgeland has been named “House Member for a Day” in this 2014 competition; and

Whereas, a resident of Ridgeland, Arthur attends Thomas Heyward Academy, where he is presently a sophomore; and

Whereas, the fifteen‑year‑old particularly enjoys studying history, English, and Spanish, in which he is fluent; and

Whereas, away from the academic classroom, Arthur cultivates several hobbies, including soccer, personal fitness, electronic media, metal detecting, and public speaking. His ability to communicate in a confident manner with an audience of any size helps make him an effective speaker both at school and in his house of worship; and

Whereas, in his winning speech at this annual contest, Arthur articulated the position that South Carolina’s educational system is in need of reform and that specific steps such as increasing teacher pay, cutting teachers’ heavy load of paper work, reducing classroom size, and instituting a mentor program would contribute toward improved educational performance among our students; and

Whereas, the House takes great pleasure in recognizing Arthur Bernard Cartier, an outstanding son of South Carolina, and the members extend to him their best wishes and look with interest to hear of his continued achievements in the days 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 congratulate Arthur Bernard Cartier of Ridgeland for capturing the title of “House Member for a Day” in the 2014 speech competition.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Arthur Bernard Cartier.

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