**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND CONGRATULATE THE TEAM STORM 14U SOFTBALL TEAM OF GILBERT FOR ITS IMPRESSIVE WIN OF THE 2013 WORLD FASTPITCH CONNECTION (WFC) WORLD SERIES CHAMPIONSHIP AND TO HONOR THE PLAYERS AND COACHES ON AN OUTSTANDING SEASON.

Whereas, softball is a game of speed, power, precision, and agility, but to excel in softball, a team must combine these talents with teamwork and good sportsmanship; and

Whereas, the Team Storm 14U softball team of Gilbert captured the 2013 World Fastpitch Connection World Series Championship, held in Myrtle Beach, by convincingly uniting all these attributes into one unstoppable powerhouse, one that defeated teams from North Carolina, New Jersey, and New York in a determined effort that culminated at the title game on August 10, 2013; and

Whereas, making a sweet victory even sweeter, Team Storm nailed this title after having been formed only the year before and having never played previously in the WFC World Series. It was also the team’s first year of play in the 14U (fourteen and under) age bracket; and

Whereas, Team Storm coaches Joe Auckerman, Dana Price, Greg Kuntz, and Travis Bentley capitalized on their own athletic talent and training to build an outstanding softball program and teach these students lessons that will stand them in good stead throughout their lives; and

Whereas, it is with immense pleasure that the South Carolina House of Representatives pauses to recognize the accomplishments and dedication of these fine athletes and their coaches and to congratulate them on their 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 congratulate the Team Storm 14U softball team of Gilbert for its impressive win of the 2013 World Fastpitch Connection (WFC) World Series Championship and honor the players and coaches on an outstanding season.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to Coach Joe Auckerman, Coach Dana Price, Coach Greg Kuntz, and Coach Travis Bentley.

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