**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA WOMEN’S EQUESTRIAN TEAM, COACHES, AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS FOR AN OUTSTANDING SEASON, AND TO CONGRATULATE THEM FOR WINNING THE 2014 SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

Whereas, the South Carolina House of Representatives is pleased to learn that the members of the University of South Carolina women’s equestrian team won the 2014 Southeastern Conference (SEC) championship on Saturday, March 29, 2014, at One Wood Farm in Blythewood; and

Whereas, to the delight of their fans, the number-one ranked Lady Gamecock equestrian team trotted to victory in a tiebreaker against the number-two ranked rivals from the University of Georgia; and

Whereas, the final overall score from the championship meet was 10‑10, which sent the event into the tiebreaker, and the Lady Gamecocks prevailed 4,040.25‑4,036.75; and

Whereas, in their best regular season in team history, the USC equestrian team posted 11‑2 overall and 4‑2 in conference competition and also set a program record with thirteen dual meet victories; and

Whereas, the equestrian team became the University of South Carolina’s first team to win two consecutive SEC championships; and

Whereas, when the Lady Gamecocks competed in Waco, Texas, at the National Collegiate Equestrian Association (NCEA) championship on April 19, 2014, they placed second in the nation in a tiebreaker; and

Whereas, in her seventeenth season as head coach at USC, Boo Major was named the SEC Coach of the Year for the second year in a row; and

Whereas, in a sport that demands precision, grace, and training, Coach Boo Major and her skilled coaching staff capitalized on their own equestrian ability and training to build a championship team and teach these riders lessons that will prove invaluable through life both on and off the field of competition; and

Whereas, the South Carolina House of Representatives appreciates the pride and recognition that the members of the University of South Carolina equestrian team have brought to their university and to the Palmetto State and look to hear of their continued accomplishments 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 honor the University of South Carolina women’s equestrian team, coaches, and university officials for an outstanding season, and congratulate them for winning the 2014 Southeastern Conference Championship title.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Coach Boo Major.

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