**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO APPLAUD THE PINEWOOD PREPARATORY SCHOOL COMPETITIVE CHEERLEADING TEAM ON CAPTURING THE 2015 SOUTH CAROLINA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL ASSOCIATION CLASS AAA SMALL DIVISION STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE AND TO CONGRATULATE THE TEAM AND ITS COACHES ON A SUPERLATIVE SEASON.

Whereas, on November 12, 2015, the high‑flying Pinewood Preparatory School competitive cheerleading team captured the South Carolina Independent School Association (SCISA) Class AAA Small Division State Championship title; and

Whereas, at the title match, held at Newberry College, nothing could stop the consistent athletic grace, charm, and practiced precision of the Lady Panthers, as their competitors soon discovered; and

Whereas, to add to an already sweet season, the Lady Panthers finished with a 5‑0 record, marking the first time the program has gone undefeated throughout the competition season; and

Whereas, this victory earned Pinewood its fifth title win since SCISA began holding a state championship for competitive cheerleading in 2006. The team went back‑to‑back in 2007‑2008 and again in 2012‑2013; and

Whereas, proud of their Pinewood athletes, Coach Merrell Mann and Coach Dee Devlin declared the win to be a special one for the team, which was the smallest one to compete at the title match; and

Whereas, the South Carolina Senate takes great pleasure in applauding the outstanding achievements of the Pinewood Prep competitive cheerleading team, and the members look with interest to hearing of its continued success in the days ahead. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, applaud the Pinewood Preparatory School competitive cheerleading team on capturing the 2015 South Carolina Independent School Association Class AAA Small Division State Championship title and congratulate the team and its coaches on a superlative season.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Head of School Steve Mandell, Coach Merrell Mann, and Coach Dee Devlin of Pinewood Preparatory School.

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