**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO SALUTE THE NATION FORD HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING BAND, BAND DIRECTORS, AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS FOR A SENSATIONAL SEASON AND TO CONGRATULATE THEM ON WINNING THE 2015 SOUTH CAROLINA BAND DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION CLASS AAAA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

Whereas, both musically and mentally prepared, the Nation Ford High School marching band bested all other comers at the South Carolina Band Directors Association state competition, held on Saturday, October 31, 2015, at Spring Valley High School in Columbia; and

Whereas, insisting on disciplined practice, enthusiasm, and focused energy on the part of his musicians, as well as on his own part, Band Director Martin Dickey molded a Class AAAA championship marching band that proved unstoppable; and

Whereas, at the end of the title contest, Nation Ford had racked up a score of 93.000 and captured the awards for Best Music performance and Best Visual performance; and

Whereas, this championship win takes no one by surprise. It is, in fact, Nation Ford’s fifth such triumph, its previous state titles having been earned in 2009, 2010, 2011, and 2013; and

Whereas, proud of Nation Ford’s commitment and success, the House takes great pleasure in honoring this fine marching band for taking home the latest in a long line of awards. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, salute the Nation Ford High School marching band, band directors, and school officials for a sensational season and congratulate them on winning the 2015 South Carolina Band Directors Association Class AAAA State Championship title.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Principal Jason Johns and Director of Bands Martin Dickey.

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