**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE GREENWOOD COUNTY’S NINETY SIX HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING BAND ON WINNING THE 2009 SOUTH CAROLINA CLASS A STATE MARCHING BAND CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

Whereas, on October 31, 2009, the Ninety Six High School marching band outscored all comers to grab the 2009 South Carolina Class A State Marching Band Championship title at Woodmont High School; and

Whereas, no strangers to victory, the Wildcats made it their second state championship, having also walked off with the top prize at the 2006 state competition; and

Whereas, sixty‑three members strong, the Ninety Six High School marching band headed into its state win with the 2009 Class A Upper State Marching Band Championship title already safely sent home; and

Whereas, the Ninety Six High School marching band’s 2009 record clearly testifies to the musical and instructional excellence of its director, David Vickery, and its assistant director, Joey Bagwell; and

Whereas, congratulations are also in order for the parents, school administrators, and officials of Greenwood County School District 52, who supported the band and its managers and staff all the way to the top; and

Whereas, the Senate is pleased to recognize such an exceptional group of young musicians and expects to hear of continued achievements in the years ahead. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, congratulate Greenwood County’s Ninety Six High School marching band on winning the 2009 South Carolina Class A State Marching Band Championship title.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Principal Rex Ward and Band Director David Vickery of Ninety Six High School.

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