**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE DR. RANDALL R. GARY, PRINCIPAL OF DENT MIDDLE SCHOOL IN RICHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT TWO, ON BEING NAMED 2010 SOUTH CAROLINA MIDDLE SCHOOL PRINCIPAL OF THE YEAR BY THE SOUTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina General Assembly note with pleasure that Dr. Randall R. Gary, principal of Dent Middle School in Richland School District Two, has been named 2010 South Carolina Middle School Principal of the Year by the South Carolina Association of School Administrators; and

Whereas, Dr. Gary’s faculty, students, and administrative colleagues are in no way surprised by this recognition, as Principal Gary is an exemplar of those qualities that make a superb educator and administrator: leadership, ability to motivate, and a collaborative style, to all of which he also brings energy and enthusiasm; and

Whereas, under Dr. Gary’s leadership, Dent has inaugurated the AVID program, aimed at advancing students in the “academic middle”; the TWO Academies, Dent’s single‑gender education magnet; and the FAME program, an education magnet that exposes all students to the arts and technology. In addition, the school is a past winner of the South Carolina Association of School Administrators School of Promise award and is currently a finalist in the 2009‑2010 Palmetto’s Finest competition; and

Whereas, believing a man should seek active involvement in his community beyond the office, Randall Gary also serves with various Columbia‑area organizations, among them the Decker Boulevard Revitalization and Forest Acres Committee, Sparkleberry Fair Committee, and Fort Jackson Partners in Education Committee; and

Whereas, for his dedicated leadership and service, Dr. Gary has received several honors, including Time Warner Cable’s 2008‑2009 Champion Principal award; and

Whereas, it is appropriate for members of the General Assembly to pause in their deliberations so that they may add their voices to the well‑deserved chorus of congratulations and best wishes being showered on Dr. Randall Gary, newly named 2010 South Carolina Middle School Principal of the Year. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring:

That the members of the South Carolina General Assembly, by this resolution, congratulate Dr. Randall R. Gary, principal of Dent Middle School in Richland School District Two, on being named 2010 South Carolina Middle School Principal of the Year by the South Carolina Association of School Administrators.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Dr. Randall R. Gary.

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