**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE COLUMBIA NATIVE JONATHAN GOODWIN AND THE NEW ORLEANS SAINTS ON WINNING THE 2010 SUPER BOWL CHAMPIONSHIP.

Whereas, Columbia native and NFL player Jonathan Goodwin has come a long way since he was named a South Carolina Football Coaches Association “Top 100” choice as a senior at Lower Richland High School in Hopkins; and

Whereas, during his college career at Ohio University and Michigan University, he started a total of twenty of twenty‑nine games and was an All‑Big 10 as a senior; and

Whereas, in 2002, Jonathan Goodwin began an NFL career that in 2008 led him to leadership of the New Orleans Saints’ offensive line, where he distinguished himself as the club’s starting center and stewarded a unit that surrendered only thirteen sacks, a club record; and

Whereas, in his professional career, he has opened forty‑seven of one hundred nineteen contests, including all nineteen games at center that he appeared in last season; and

Whereas, in 2009, he was assigned to his first pro bowl and helped lead his team to its first Super Bowl win on February 7, 2010, at the Sun Life Stadium in Miami, Florida. Subsequently, Jonathan Goodwin and the rest of the Saints’ offensive line were named the 2010 recipients of the Madden Most Valuable Protectors Award; and

Whereas, the South Carolina Senate salutes native son Jonathan Goodwin and his New Orleans Saints team members for their superb performance and well‑deserved victory at the 2010 Super Bowl, and the members extend best wishes for continued success. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, congratulate Columbia native Jonathan Goodwin and the New Orleans Saints on winning the 2010 Super Bowl Championship.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Jonathan Goodwin.

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