**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO HONOR THE MANY ACHIEVEMENTS AND COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP OF NORTH GREENVILLE UNIVERSITY CRUSADER BASEBALL COACH TRAVIS HENSON.

Whereas, Travis Henson has led the North Greenville University Crusader Baseball Program to a 2010 Championship season and the team’s most successful season in school history; and

Whereas, Coach Henson was awarded the NCAA Division 1 Coach of the Year award; and

Whereas, Mr. Henson came to the Crusaders following a remarkable coaching career at the high school level at Landrum High School in Spartanburg County; and

Whereas, in his eight seasons at the helm of the Class A Spartanburg County School, Coach Henson led the Cardinals to six region titles, six district titles, four Upperstate Titles, and 3 State Titles. He amassed an 182‑52 record, including a 158‑22 record against Class A schools; and

Whereas, Coach Henson’s teams also amassed a 14‑4 record versus Class 2A schools and won ten games over AAA and AAAA opponents. His twenty-four wins over teams from higher classifications were the most wins of any baseball program in the State of South Carolina over higher class programs, and Mr. Henson’s teams compiled a string of eighty-two consecutive games without being shut out; and

Whereas, Mr. Henson has won numerous coaching awards and honors, including being named four‑time Class A State Coach of the Year by the South Carolina Baseball Coaches Association. In 2005, Mr. Henson was named Statewide South Carolina Coach of the Year for All Classes. His efforts throughout the first decade of the new millennium earned Mr. Henson the esteemed honor of Class A Baseball Coach of the Decade, an honor bestowed by the Diamond Prospects organization; and

Whereas, in addition to leading the Crusader Baseball Program, Mr. Henson also serves as the Minister to Students at Washington Baptist Church in Greer, South Carolina, and has served the youth at Washington Baptist for over four years; and

Whereas, in addition to coaching and youth ministry, Mr. Henson also enjoys numerous speaking engagements sharing spiritual and motivating messages at local churches, FCA organizations, youth rallies, and other functions; and

Whereas, Mr. Henson is married to Jennifer Smith Henson, a Clemson University graduate, who teaches special education at Chapman High School in Spartanburg County. Jennifer is also involved in athletics, and is the assistant volleyball coach at Chapman high School; and.

Whereas, growing up the son of a coach, Travis Henson followed in the footsteps of his father, Jerry Henson, who recently retired from forty-two years of teaching and coaching. Through the tutelage and mentorship of his father, Travis Henson was afforded a solid coaching foundation; and

Whereas, the younger Coach Henson’s roles as a teacher, coach, youth pastor, and community worker allow him to realize his ultimate goal ‑ to motivate, encourage, and inspire young people to set worthy goals and work toward accomplishing those goals in all walks of life. His daily efforts are particularly focused on helping others reach their fullest potential; and

Whereas, the Senate of South Carolina finds it fitting to honor the many achievements and community leadership of Coach Travis Henson. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the Senate of South Carolina honors the many achievements and community leadership of North Greenville University baseball coach Travis Henson.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Mr. Travis Henson.

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