**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND COMMEND THE PINEWOOD PREPARATORY SCHOOL BOYS SOCCER TEAM FOR ITS OUTSTANDING SEASON AND FOR CAPTURING THE 2010 SOUTH CAROLINA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL ASSOCIATION CLASS AAA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP, AND TO HONOR THE TEAM’S EXCEPTIONAL PLAYERS, COACHES, AND STAFF.

Whereas, on May 8, 2010, in a thrilling double‑overtime game, the fully prepared Pinewood Preparatory School boys soccer team defeated Cardinal Newman 2‑1 to grab the 2010 South Carolina Independent School Association Class AAA State Championship title; and

Whereas, Head Coach Jason Birchwood, with grueling practices, hard work, and determination, has continued to build Pinewood’s soccer program into a championship team that refuses to settle for second best; and

Whereas, excitement over this title win was especially intense because everyone was waiting to see if the Panthers could bring home their seventh consecutive state championship. These dedicated players did not disappoint their supporters; and

Whereas, this satisfying victory also crowns a superb 17‑9 season for Pinewood, proving this team is a powerhouse to be reckoned with; and

Whereas, adding further recognition to an already impressive list of accomplishments, the team has five All‑Star players, Robert Beebe, Taylor Katsanis, Thomas Ferro, Brandon Phinney, and Justin White; and

Whereas, the House takes great pleasure in recognizing the young men of the Pinewood Preparatory School boys soccer team for leading with excellence both in the classroom and on the field and expects to hear of continued great achievements in the years ahead. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, recognize and commend the Pinewood Preparatory School boys soccer team for its outstanding season and for capturing the 2010 South Carolina Independent School Association Class AAA State Championship, and honor the team’s exceptional players, coaches, and staff.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to Headmaster Dr. Glyn Cowlishaw and Coach Jason Birchwood of Pinewood Preparatory School.

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