**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO HONOR AND CONGRATULATE MORNINGSIDE MIDDLE SCHOOL IN CHARLESTON COUNTY ON BEING NAMED WINNER OF THE 2009 DICK AND TUNKY RILEY SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT AWARD.

Whereas, this award is named in honor of former South Carolina Governor and U.S. Education Secretary Richard Riley and his late wife, Tunky, and recognizes the couple’s longstanding commitment to quality public education; and

Whereas, Morningside Middle School is an urban Title I school whose students face many challenges; and

Whereas, Morningside Principal Kala Goodwine has built a strong foundation of parent and student involvement to foster ever improving student achievement; and

Whereas, Morningside has launched many programs that help to reach this level of success, including a student reading competition, several student leadership programs, a student/teacher relationship building program called “Bridges,” and an expanded community carnival to raise awareness on assessment testing; and

Whereas, the commitment of Morningside Middle School’s administrators, faculty, staff, students, parents, and school improvement council has made a great contribution to public education. Now, therefore,

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

That the members of the General Assembly honor and congratulate Morningside Middle School in Charleston County on being named Winner of the 2009 Dick and Tunky Riley School Improvement Award.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Morningside Middle School.

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