**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND COMMEND THE FRANCIS HUGH WARDLAW ACADEMY GIRLS SOFTBALL TEAM FOR ITS OUTSTANDING SEASON AND FOR CAPTURING THE 2009 SOUTH CAROLINA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL ASSOCIATION CLASS A STATE CHAMPIONSHIP, AND TO HONOR THE TEAM’S EXCEPTIONAL PLAYERS, COACHES, AND STAFF.

Whereas, on May 9, 2009, the fully prepared Francis Hugh Wardlaw Academy girls softball team defeated Jefferson Davis to grab the 2009 South Carolina Independent School Association Class A State Championship title; and

Whereas, Coach Ron Conley and Assistant Coach Kathy James, with dedicated, persistent labor that covered all bases, built their softball program into a championship team that refused to settle for second best; and

Whereas, even though the Lady Patriots were vying for their fifth straight title win this year and their ninth state title overall, they did not allow themselves to assume another championship would soon be theirs without effort; they played hard for it, and their hard work won them the victory, as jubilant Wardlaw fans looked on with pride; and

Whereas, this crowning victory caps a superb season for Wardlaw, proving the team is a perennial powerhouse to be reckoned with; and

Whereas, the Senate takes great pleasure in recognizing the young women of the Francis Hugh Wardlaw Academy girls softball 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 Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, recognize and commend the Francis Hugh Wardlaw Academy girls softball team for its outstanding season and for capturing the 2009 South Carolina Independent School Association Class A 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 Ben Couch and Coach Ron Conley of Francis Hugh Wardlaw Academy.

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