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**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE DORCHESTER ACADEMY FOOTBALL TEAM FOR AN EXCEPTIONAL SEASON, AND TO CONGRATULATE THE PLAYERS AND THEIR COACHES FOR CAPTURING THE 2010 SOUTH CAROLINA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL ASSOCIATION CLASS A STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

Whereas, the members of the House of Representatives of the State of South Carolina are pleased to learn that Dorchester Academy football team took top honors to win the South Carolina Independent School Association (SCISA) Class A State Championship on November 20, 2010; and

Whereas, in a sport that requires strength, determination, and skill, the Dorchester Academy Raiders rushed and pounded their way across the gridiron to taste their first state championship victory in four years by defeating the Bible Baptist Braves 43‑40; and

Whereas, to the delight of their fans and the disappointment of their opponents, the Raiders recovered from a Brave lead late in the final quarter after a back‑and‑forth game with a touchdown pass by Junior Quarterback Nick McAlhany to Senior Captain Jamie Collins in the last split second of the game; and

Whereas, on their way to the championship game, the Raiders defeated the state’s defending champion, the Colleton Preparatory School War Hawks, to win the regional championship and ended their season with a 12‑1 record, winning their sixth state championship title in the school’s history; and

Whereas, two games away from the contest to determine the regional championship, Head Coach Stanley Gruber became the first coach in SCISA history to win three hundred games when his team handily defeated the Carolina Academy Bobcats 55‑20 on the coach’s fifty‑ninth birthday, September 17; and

Whereas, early in his coaching career, he coached two years at Washington Wilkes High School in Georgia and then at Andrew Jackson Academy where he led that team to a state championship in his second year as coach; and

Whereas, in his thirty‑second season of coaching the Raiders, Coach Gruber and his skilled coaching staff used their skills to forge a championship team through relentless practices and demanding drills and taught lessons that will prove invaluable to these fine athletes throughout life both on and off the field of play; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives are grateful for the pride and recognition that the Dorchester Academy football players have brought to their school and to their community through this accomplishment and look to hear of their success in the future. 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 honor the Dorchester Academy football team for an exceptional season, and congratulate the players and their coaches for capturing the 2010 South Carolina Independent School Association Class A State Championship title.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Headmaster Karen Neil and Head Coach Stanley Gruber.

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