**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE WACCAMAW HIGH SCHOOL VARSITY BOYS TENNIS TEAM, COACHES, AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS FOR AN OUTSTANDING SEASON, AND TO CONGRATULATE THEM FOR WINNING THE 2012 CLASS AA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

Whereas, the South Carolina Senate is delighted to learn that the Waccamaw High School varsity boys tennis team of Georgetown County won the Class AA state championship title on March 12, 2012, marking its fifth state title in the past six seasons and tenth straight appearance in the state finals; and

Whereas, the Waccamaw Warriors clinched its championship by defeating Christ Church Episcopal School of Greenville, winning two of the five singles matches and both of the doubles matches in the series; and

Whereas, Harrison Richmond and Paul Hendrix won their respective singles matches, and the Warriors narrowly lost two other singles; and

Whereas, dominating their opponents with 6‑3 and 6‑2 victories, Richmond and Joey Hewes prevailed in their doubles match with a championship‑level performance; and

Whereas, Hendrix and Alex Czechner paired up for the second doubles match, winning their first set with a repeat 6‑3. Leading their second set with only a narrow margin of 5‑4, Czechner delivered a solid serve. A short return was misplayed by their opponents and the Warriors claimed their fifth state championship; and

Whereas, one of five All‑Americans in the nation for 2011 and 2012, Harrison Richmond, the team’s only senior, led the Warriors throughout the year. He has signed to play tennis for the University of Virginia in the fall, becoming Waccamaw’s fifth consecutive signee with division‑one schools; and

Whereas, in a sport that demands rigorous training, strength, speed, and agility, Head Coach James Brown and his outstanding coaching staff together built a championship team and taught their players invaluable lessons to apply in many aspects of their lives; Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, recognize and honor the Waccamaw High School varsity boys tennis team, coaches, and school officials for an outstanding season, and congratulate them for winning the 2012 Class AA State Championship title.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Principal David Hammel and Coach James Brown.

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