**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE THE NATION FORD HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING BAND AND BAND DIRECTOR MARTIN DICKEY ON CAPTURING THE 2010 SOUTH CAROLINA BAND DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION CLASS AAA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

Whereas, on October 30, 2010, the Nation Ford High School marching band outscored all comers to grab the 2010 South Carolina Band Directors Association (SCBDA) Class AAA State Championship title, held at Batesburg‑Leesville High School; and

Whereas, to the exultant cheers of Nation Ford fans, the Falcons, having also walked off with the top prize at the 2009 state competition, made it their second consecutive state championship; and

Whereas, the musicians of the Nation Ford marching band headed into their state win with the 2010 SCBDA Class AAA Upper State Championship title already safely sent home; and

Whereas, the band’s 2010 record clearly testifies to the musical and instructional excellence of its director, Martin Dickey; and

Whereas, to add further zest to an already sweet victory, Nation Ford won the championship award for Best Music and tied for Best Visual Performance; and

Whereas, the House of Representatives is pleased to recognize such an exceptional group of young musicians 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, congratulate the Nation Ford High School marching band and Band Director Martin Dickey on capturing the 2010 South Carolina Band Directors Association Class AAA State Championship title.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Principal Beverley Bowman and Band Director Martin Dickey of Nation Ford High School.

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