**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR PINEWOOD PREPARATORY SCHOOL GIRLS VARSITY BASKETBALL TEAM OF DORCHESTER COUNTY, AND TO CONGRATULATE THE TEAM MEMBERS AND COACHES FOR A SUCCESSFUL SEASON AND FOR CAPTURING THE 2011 SOUTH CAROLINA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL ASSOCIATION CLASS AAA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives are pleased to learn that the Pinewood Preparatory School girls varsity basketball team won the state title at the 2011 South Carolina Independent School Association Class AAA State Championship on February 26, 2011; and

Whereas, the Pinewood Preparatory School Lady Panthers finished their remarkable season with a 30 and 4 record, and two of those losses were in tournament play; and

Whereas, having lost to Heathwood Hall earlier in the season 51 to 58, the Lady Panthers defeated the Lady Highlanders in the semi‑final rematch 58 to 48, and their only other loss was to Northwood Academy 53 to 65; and

Whereas, to the delight of their fans and the disappointment of their foes, the Lady Panthers defeated Northwood Academy 44 to 37 to bring home their second trophy for girls basketball in three years; and

Whereas, in a sport that requires accuracy, skill, speed, and strength, these athletes learned discipline through relentless drills in demanding practices that enabled them to press their opponents and drive to the basket; and

Whereas, using their own athletic ability and training, Coach Nancy Beatty and her coaching staff forged a championship team and taught these athletes lessons that will prove invaluable to them throughout life both on and off the court; and

Whereas, the members of the House of Representatives of the State of South Carolina are grateful for the pride and recognition that the Pinewood Preparatory School girls varsity basketball team has brought to the school and to the community and expect 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 Pinewood Preparatory School girls varsity basketball team of Dorchester County, and congratulate the team members and coaches for a successful season and for capturing the 2011 South Carolina Independent School Association Class AAA State Championship title.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Headmaster Glyn Cowlishaw and Coach Nancy Beatty.

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