**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE PALMETTO HIGH SCHOOL SOFTBALL 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 House of Representatives is pleased to learn that the members of the Palmetto High School softball team of Anderson County took top honors at the state competition on Wednesday May 16, 2012; and

Whereas, the Palmetto Lady Mustangs were able to claim a 1‑0 victory over Dillon High School in Monday’s first game of the championship series in extra innings after a home run by Ryan Rector, who also scored the only run in the second game of the series on Wednesday, clinching the victory; and

Whereas, the suffocating defense of the Lady Mustangs allowed them to shut out the Dillon Wildcats, even when Dillon had multiple runners on base in the final three innings, and Lady Mustang Tabitha Allen was the team’s winning pitcher; and

Whereas, the Lady Mustangs capped off an incredible 32‑6 season with the school’s first state softball championship in the best two out of three in the series; and

Whereas, in a sport that demands skill, quickness, and teamwork, Head Coach Frannie Caulder and her skilled coaching staff capitalized on their own athletic ability and training to mold a championship team and teach these athletes lessons that will prove invaluable through life both on and off the diamond; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives are grateful for the pride and recognition that the Palmetto High School softball players have brought to their school and their community and look to hear of their continued accomplishments in the days ahead. 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 Palmetto High School softball 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 Dr. Mason Gary, Principal of Palmetto High School, and Coach Frannie Caulder.

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