**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE CAROLINA ACADEMY HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS TENNIS TEAM OF FLORENCE COUNTY FOR A SUCCESSFUL SEASON, AND TO CONGRATULATE THEM FOR CAPTURING THE 2013 SCISA CLASS AA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina Senate were pleased to learn that the Carolina Academy High School girls tennis team, under the leadership of head coach Jordan Osborne, recently capped a dominating season of seventeen victories by winning their fifteenth state championship in SCISA Class AA; and

Whereas, the Carolina Academy Lady Bobcats not only recorded seventeen victories, including victories against higher classified teams at Wilson Hall and Florence Christian Academy, but in the process secured their sixth consecutive regional championship; and

Whereas, in addition to winning state championships in 1981, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1996, 2008, 2012, and this year, the Carolina Academy High School girls tennis team also finished runner‑up in the statewide competition in 2009; and

Whereas, during the final week of statewide competition, the Lady Bobcats won seventeen of the eighteen individual matches played in their sweep of every opponent they faced in their championship run; and

Whereas, in a sport that requires integrity, athleticism, self‑discipline, and perseverance, the players of this team have made themselves into an unrivaled championship team through rigorous practice and selfless teamwork; and

Whereas, capitalizing on God‑given talents and using sheer determination, team members Rebecca Weaver, Hannah Weaver, Haven Brown, Jamie Yarborough, Haley Hancock, Harula Paraschos, Mary Bryant Matthews, Gracen Parker, Morgan Parrott, Ashley Young Mary Palmer Askins, and Kelly Lynch earned their spot in South Carolina sports history and created life‑long memories; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina Senate commend the Carolina Academy High School girls tennis team for another outstanding season and for bringing great pride and positive recognition to their school, community, and families. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, recognize and honor the Carolina Academy High School girls tennis team of Florence County for a successful season, and congratulate them for capturing the 2013 SCISA Class AA State Championship title.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Principal Stevie Phillips.

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