**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND CONGRATULATE THE GREENWOOD HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM ON ITS UNDEFEATED 15‑0 SEASON AND IMPRESSIVE WIN OF THE 2012 CLASS AAAA DIVISION II STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

Whereas, after forty‑eight minutes of regulation overtime on December 1, 2012, the Greenwood High School football team’s wait for a coronation was over, and they had captured the Class AAAA Division II State Championship title, defeating Northwestern 31‑24; and

Whereas, as the team received its fourteenth championship trophy, Williams‑Brice Stadium in Columbia echoed with the shouts of exuberant Greenwood fans, who realized with pride that their seniors were walking away with fifty career victories, three region championships, and the first fifteen‑win season in the tradition‑laden history of Eagles football‑‑a class act; and

Whereas, the Eagles wanted to get the job done, and there was no better test of their desire to win than Greenwood’s stirring 20‑play, 97‑yard play that lasted for more than ten minutes. Their determined grit led to a fairy‑tale ending for the Eagles; and

Whereas, such victories do not come overnight; they take determination and hard work. With proven consistency in both, Coach Gene Cathcart has built his football program into a championship team that refuses to settle for second best; and

Whereas, the Eagles have brought great pride and recognition to their school and community, and the members of the General Assembly are pleased to have this opportunity to salute such a wonderful group of young athletes. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring:

That the members of the South Carolina General Assembly, by this resolution, recognize and congratulate the Greenwood High School football team on its undefeated 15‑0 season and impressive win of the 2012 Class AAAA Division II State Championship title.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Coach Gene Cathcart and Principal Beth L. Taylor of Greenwood High School.

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