**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE PINEWOOD PREPARATORY SCHOOL COMPETITIVE CHEER TEAM ON WINNING THE 2012 SOUTH CAROLINA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL ASSOCIATION (SCISA) CLASS AAA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

Whereas, on November 10, 2012, the Pinewood Preparatory School competitive cheer team accomplished a ten‑year goal: The team members captured the South Carolina Independent School Association (SCISA) Class AAA State Championship title, soaring their way past all competitors at A.C. Flora High School in Columbia; and

Whereas, exultant Pinewood fans watched the Lady Panthers collect their first Triple‑A state title, a feat that was all the more impressive because, in so doing, Pinewood ended the reign of seven‑time champion Cardinal Newman; and

Whereas, driven by winning strength and courage, the Lady Panthers put all their heart into the challenge and turned in a marvelous performance, keeping the excited crowd enthralled for the entire competition; and

Whereas, Head Coach Merrell Mann, rightly proud of the Lady Panthers' expertise, trained her show‑stopping team to both technical and artistic excellence all the way to the top; and

Whereas, recognizing the commitment of these young athletes and the sacrifices they have made in order to reach their goals, the House of Representatives takes great pleasure in commending and honoring them for a successful year of cheering and the crowning achievement of capturing the SCISA Class AAA State Championship title. 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 Pinewood Preparatory School competitive cheer team on winning the 2012 South Carolina Independent School Association (SCISA) Class AAA State Championship title.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Head of School Steve Mandell and Head Coach Merrell Mann of Pinewood Preparatory School.

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