**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE THE PINEWOOD PREPARATORY SCHOOL GIRLS GOLF TEAM UPON WINNING THE 2012 SOUTH CAROLINA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL ASSOCIATION (SCISA) STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

Whereas, mentally tough and physically ready, the Pinewood Preparatory School girls golf team capped off an excellent season by driving their way to the 2012 SCISA State Championship title; and

Whereas, the Lady Panthers won their third consecutive SCISA state championship with a 330‑414 victory over Hammond on October 8, 2012; and

Whereas, the excitement of these young athletes could be heard throughout the golf course at Orangeburg Country Club as they blew away the runner‑up by an astounding eighty‑four strokes; and

Whereas, challenged by not only the eighteen championship holes but also unseasonably cool temperatures and rainy conditions, the Lady Panthers rose to the occasion; and

Whereas, Pinewood standout Katelyn Dambaugh, who will play next for the University of South Carolina, was medalist (for the third straight time) with a one‑under‑par 71, an achievement that helped her team cap a perfect 19‑0 season. Named SCISA Player of the Year, Katelyn also was tapped for the 2012 SCISA All‑State team, as was Pinewood's Reona Hirai (also for the third consecutive year). Rounding out this powerhouse team were Julia Whitten, Olivia Coyle, and Michaela McAuley; and

Whereas, under the leadership of Coach Greg Baechtle, the team's demonstration of heart, desire, hard work, perseverance, and talent showed opposing teams and spectators why Pinewood is the “Number One” team in the State; and

Whereas, the House of Representatives takes great pleasure in recognizing the Pinewood girls golf team for its masterly strategy and skill on the fairways and greens, and the members salute this team's dedicated athletes for their consistent excellence. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, congratulate the Pinewood Preparatory School girls golf team upon winning the 2012 South Carolina Independent School Association (SCISA) State Championship title.

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

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