**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO CELEBRATE THE HILLCREST HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL TEAM ON CARRYING OFF THE 2013 CLASS AAAA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE, AND TO APPLAUD COACH LYNN AVANT AND HER PLAYERS ON THEIR THREE‑PEAT STATE WIN.

Whereas, a furious rally from two games down lifted Hillcrest from the brink to the best, earning the Hillcrest High School volleyball team its third consecutive state crown; and

Whereas, the Rams’ determined comeback resulted in a five‑game victory over Wando at the volleyball final, held at Lexington’s White Knoll High School on Saturday, November 9, 2013; and

Whereas, now the owner of five state titles, Coach Lynn Avant praised her players with this well‑deserved message after the championship trophy was safely in their hands: “You guys stayed strong. You didn’t fold. I’m so proud of you”; and

Whereas, seeing that the 2013 crown was indeed secure, exultant Hillcrest fans began making plans to return next year to see the Rams repeat the victory; and

Whereas, in a sport that demands endurance, speed, and mental focus, Coach Avant forged a championship team through successfully imparting her own athletic skills and time‑tested lessons from her years of coaching at Hillcrest; and

Whereas, for the third time, the Hillcrest High School volleyball team has succeeded in bringing home a state title and in so doing has brought great pride to its school and community. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, celebrate the Hillcrest High School volleyball team on carrying off the 2013 Class AAAA State Championship title, and applaud Coach Lynn Avant and her players on their three‑peat state win.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Principal Steve Chamness and Coach Lynn Avant of Hillcrest High School.

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