**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE THE STUDENTS, FACULTY, STAFF, AND ADMINISTRATION OF HORRY COUNTY’S MIDLAND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ON RECEIVING A COVETED 2014 CAROLINA FIRST PALMETTO’S FINEST AWARD.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina General Assembly note with pleasure that Midland Elementary School in Horry County received a 2014 Carolina First Palmetto’s Finest award; and

Whereas, sponsored by the South Carolina Association of School Administrators and several partner businesses, this prestigious awards program annually honors two elementary schools, a middle school, a high school, and sometimes a fifth school that maintain innovative, effective educational programs; and

Whereas, looking beyond academics to such things as what students do for their community, judges consider a school’s instructional program, school culture, student achievement, and quality of faculty and staff; and

Whereas, Midland Elementary School long has demonstrated to all that persistent excellence pays off, and the achievements of its five hundred forty‑seven students are proof of the fine work of its faculty, staff, and administration, as well; and

Whereas, in addition to being named Palmetto’s Finest, Midland Elementary already has to its credit National Blue Ribbon School and Palmetto Gold status; and

Whereas, the General Assembly is proud to affirm Midland Elementary School’s place as an exemplar of all that is good and positive in public education in South Carolina, and the members join Midland’s many friends in congratulating the school on this, its latest achievement. Now, therefore,

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

That the members of the South Carolina General Assembly, by this resolution, congratulate the students, faculty, staff, and administration of Horry County’s Midland Elementary School on receiving a coveted 2014 Carolina First Palmetto’s Finest award.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to Principal Jennifer Parker of Midland Elementary School.

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