**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND COMMEND BLYTHE ACADEMY OF LANGUAGES IN GREENVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA UPON BEING NAMED THE 2012 INTERNATIONAL SPANISH ACADEMY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL OF THE YEAR AND TO DECLARE MAY 24, 2013, AS BLYTHE ACADEMY OF LANGUAGES DAY IN GREENVILLE.

Whereas, Blythe Academy of Languages, an elementary school in Greenville, South Carolina, will be formally presented the award on May 23, 2013, at the Spanish Embassy in Washington, D.C.; and

Whereas, after being named a finalist in two previous years, Blythe Academy of Languages has been named the 2012 International Spanish Academy School of the Year by the Education Office of the Embassy of Spain in the United States; and

Whereas, Blythe Academy of Languages submitted an application for the 2012 International Spanish Academy School of the Year Award to the Education Office of the Embassy of Spain in the United States documenting innovative and effective teaching methods which promote the Spanish language to elementary school students; and

Whereas, this annual award is given to one elementary school in the United States that demonstrates academic excellence in Content and Language Integrated Learning programs in English and Spanish; and

Whereas, Blythe Academy of Languages was the first foreign language magnet academy in South Carolina and is currently the only International Spanish Academy School in South Carolina; and

Whereas, Blythe Academy of Languages teaches content in the areas of math, science, and health to students in the target languages of Spanish and French. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, recognizes and commends Blythe Academy of Languages upon being named the 2012 International Spanish Academy Elementary School of the Year and declares May 24, 2013, as Blythe Academy of Languages Day in Greenville.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Blythe Academy of Languages.

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