**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO SALUTE AND CONGRATULATE THE DILLON HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM AND ITS FINE COACHES ON THEIR IMPRESSIVE WIN OF THE 2015 CLASS AA DIVISION I STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

Whereas, supremely ready for the challenge, the Dillon High School football team drove past Newberry 51‑19 to capture the 2015 Class AA Division I State Championship, held on Friday, December 4, 2015; and

Whereas, Benedict College’s stadium in Columbia echoed with the cheers of exuberant Dillon fans, pleased to see their confident predictions of a four‑in‑a‑row title victory realized as a satisfying end to an undefeated season; and

Whereas, by the end of the title game, the Wildcats’ many admirers were already looking with anticipation toward a “pentapeat” performance next year, although this fabulous team is already a legend with four consecutive title wins and thirty seven consecutive wins, and six state titles since 2008; and

Whereas, the Dillon players, fueled by the excitement of knowing they could make it four in a row, shellacked their opponents, leaving no doubt in anyone’s mind about who deserved the crown; and

Whereas, Dillon refused to allow Newberry the chance to make it a game, jumping out to a 20‑0 lead, before expanding the lead to 37‑7; and

Whereas, such victories do not come overnight; they take determination and hard work. With proven consistency in both, Coach Jackie Hayes and his dedicated staff have built their football program into a championship team that refuses to settle for second best; and

Whereas, the Wildcats have brought great pride and recognition to their school and community, and the members of the House of Representatives are pleased to have this opportunity to recognize such an outstanding group of young athletes. 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 salute the Dillon High School football team and its fine coaches on their impressive win of the 2015 Class AA Division I State Championship title.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Principal Shawn Johnson and Coach Jackie Hayes of Dillon High School.

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