**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR CHESTERFIELD HIGH SCHOOL OF CHESTERFIELD COUNTY FOR ITS EXEMPLARY STANDARDS IN EDUCATION AND TO CONGRATULATE THE STUDENTS, PARENTS, FACULTY, STAFF, AND ADMINISTRATION FOR RECEIVING COVETED 2014‑2015 PALMETTO GOLD AWARDS.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives are pleased to learn that Chesterfield High School has been granted two distinguished 2014‑2015 Palmetto Gold awards, one for General Performance and one for Closing the Achievement Gap; and

Whereas, each year the South Carolina Department of Education rewards state schools that have attained high levels of absolute performance, attained high rates of growth, and made substantial progress in closing the achievement gap between disaggregated groups, designating such schools Palmetto Gold Award and Palmetto Silver Award recipients; and

Whereas, basing their selections on the absolute and improvement ratings assigned to each South Carolina school on the previous year’s report card, the South Carolina Department of Education has granted 2014‑2015 Palmetto Gold and Silver honors to 533 high schools, middle schools, and elementary schools in the State in this prestigious list of schools; and

Whereas, thanks to the hard work of students, parents, faculty, staff, and administration, Chesterfield High School has captured these Palmetto Gold awards and has demonstrated what can be accomplished when all stakeholders have high expectations and strive to help students reach the full measure of their talents and skills; and

Whereas, to formally recognize Chesterfield High School and the other winning schools for capturing a Palmetto Award, the South Carolina Department of Education sends a certificate and a Palmetto Award winner flag to be posted in front of the school; and

Whereas, fully expecting continued academic excellence from this standout school, the South Carolina House of Representatives is proud to commend the fine educational achievement of 2014‑2015 double Palmetto Gold Award winner Chesterfield High School. 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 honor Chesterfield High School of Chesterfield County for its exemplary standards in education and congratulate the students, parents, faculty, staff, and administration for receiving coveted 2014‑2015 Palmetto Gold Awards.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to Principal Scott Radkin of Chesterfield High School.

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