**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE LATTA DIXIE ANGELS SOFTBALL TEAM AND COACHES FOR AN OUTSTANDING SEASON AND TO CONGRATULATE THEM FOR WINNING THE 2015 DIXIE ANGELS WORLD SERIES CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

Whereas, the South Carolina House of Representatives is pleased to learn that the Latta Dixie Angels softball team of Dillon County took top honors at the 2015 Dixie Angels World Series held in West Monroe, Louisiana, August 1‑August 5, 2015; and

Whereas, in the spring of 2015, the Latta Recreation Department kicked off its season with three teams of girls ten years old and under, and after the regular season was finished, coaches Jake Hyatt, Michael Rogers, and Tommy Sherman selected an All Star Team comprised of twelve players from the three teams to represent the Town of Latta; and

Whereas, these twelve young athletes became the Latta Dixie Angels: Alissa Anderson, Elizabeth Brown, Dixie Collins, Abigail Cooper, Breleigh Grant, Gracyn Hyatt, Jayla Jackson, Baylee Miller, Jordan Perritt, Ava Rogers, Savannah Sherman, and Jena Stutler; and

Whereas, the Latta team defeated Pawley’s Island, North Myrtle Beach, Myrtle Beach, Loris, and Myrtle Beach again during the District 1 tournament in June, taking the district championship in four no‑hitters with a total score of 100‑0; and

Whereas, the South Carolina Dixie Angels state tournament was held in July, where the Latta Angels defeated Lancaster, Westminster, and Dillon and then Lancaster and Westminster again in the state championship finals with a combined score of 42‑6, garnering the state trophy and officially becoming Team South Carolina; and

Whereas, on the road to 2015 Dixie Angels World Series finals, Team South Carolina pitched a perfect game against Tennessee, defeated North Carolina in a no hitter, and put down Louisiana and Georgia, before losing its only game to the West Monroe host team; and

Whereas, when South Carolina and West Monroe advanced to the championship finals, Team South Carolina helped the host team to its first loss in the first game, and in the second game, South Carolina blanked West Monroe 5‑0 to capture the title as the 2015 Dixie Angels World Series Champions; and

Whereas, to the delight of exuberant fans, this team of champions posted an overall record of 16‑1 with a combined score of 183‑22; and

Whereas, in a sport that demands technique, strategy, and quickness, Coach Hyatt, Coach Rogers, and Coach Sherman capitalized on their own athletic ability and training to hone a championship team and teach these athletes lessons that will prove invaluable through life both on and off the diamond; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives appreciate the pride and recognition that the Latta softball players have brought to their community and look to hear of their continued accomplishments in the days ahead. 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 the Latta Dixie Angels softball team and coaches for an outstanding season and congratulate them for winning the 2015 Dixie Angels World Series Championship title.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Coach Jake Hyatt, Coach Michael Rogers, and Coach Tommy Sherman.

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