**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE WILSON HALL BOYS GOLF TEAM, COACHES, AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS FOR AN OUTSTANDING SEASON AND TO CONGRATULATE THEM FOR WINNING THE 2016 SOUTH CAROLINA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL ASSOCIATION CLASS AAA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

Whereas, the South Carolina House of Representatives is pleased to learn that the members of the Wilson Hall golf team of Sumter County took top honors at the state competition held at Coastal Carolina’s Hackler Course in Myrtle Beach on Tuesday, April 26, 2016; and

Whereas, to the double delight of their fans, the Wilson Hall Barons maintained their composure hole after hole to defeat the nearest competitors, Hammond School and Porter‑Gaud School, 597 to 613 and 618, respectively, and garnered the team’s second consecutive AAA state title; and

Whereas, encouraged by a concerted effort from each of the team’s golfers down the final stretch, the Barons reduced their Monday total byeleven strokes and finished with a 293 on Tuesday for a two‑day total of 597; and

Whereas, to capture the golf team’s eighth overall state championship, four of their five golfers shot lower on Tuesday than they did on Monday, including seniors Coker Lowder and Grier Schwartz and sophomore Walker Jones who were each six strokes better; and

Whereas, Wilson Hall’s Christian Salzer posted a two‑day total of 139; Walker Jones shot 149; Grier Schwartz had a 154; Easton Ward recorded a 155; and Coker Lowder finished with a 182; and

Whereas, in a sport that demands patience and practice, Head Coach Glen Rector and his skilled coaching staff capitalized on their own athletic ability and training to hone a championship‑caliber team and to teach these athletes lessons that will prove invaluable through life both on and off the fairways; and

Whereas, valuing the respect and distinction that the Wilson Hall golfers have brought to their school and their community, the South Carolina House of Representatives expects to hear of their continued accomplishments in the future. 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 Wilson Hall boys golf team, coaches, and school officials for an outstanding season and congratulate them for winning the 2016 South Carolina Independent School Association Class AAA State Championship title.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Principal Fred Moulton and Coach Glen Rector.

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