**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE THE DUTCH FORK HIGH SCHOOL BOYS TRACK TEAM FOR WINNING THE 2016 CLASS AAAA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE AND TO COMMEND THE TEAM’S OUTSTANDING ATHLETES AND COACHES.

Whereas, well prepared for the challenge, the Dutch Fork High School boys track team sealed a 43‑35.5 victory over Wando to capture the 2016 state track and field crown for Class AAAA on May 14, 2016 at Spring Valley’s Harry Parone Stadium; and

Whereas, the Silver Foxes faced a field of tenacious competitors, with eight teams remaining in the hunt for the state championship title as the final race of the Class AAAA boys portion of the state track and field meet approached; and

Whereas, needing a strong finish to separate itself from the rest of the pack and claim the state championship, Dutch Folk delivered a clutch performance in the 4x400‑meter relay and emerged victorious to the thrill of their exhilarated fans; and

Whereas, Dutch Fork head coach Cory Wright and assistant coaches Brian Mincel, Barry Lindler, Enevelyn Hyatt, Anthony Smith, Wayne Silbereisen, Sylvia Golston, and Rodney Ledbetter used their own athletic skills and knowledge to build a championship machine and teach these young student-athletes lessons that will serve them well throughout their lives; and

Whereas, the South Carolina General Assembly is pleased to recognize the young athletes of the Dutch Fork High School boys track team for leading with excellence in the classroom and on the field, and expects to hear of continued great achievements in the years ahead. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:

That the members of the South Carolina General Assembly, by this resolution, congratulate the Dutch Fork High School boys track team for winning the 2016 Class AAAA State Championship title and commend the team’s outstanding athletes and coaches.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Dr. Greg Owings, principal, head coach Cory Wright, and assistant coaches, Brian Mincel, Barry Lindler, Enevelyn Hyatt, Anthony Smith, Wayne Silbereisen, Sylvia Golston, and Rodney Ledbetter of Dutch Fork High School.

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