**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO SALUTE THE DORMAN HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL TEAM FOR ITS OUTSTANDING SEASON AND TO CONGRATULATE THE TEAM’S EXCEPTIONAL PLAYERS, COACHES, AND STAFF ON CAPTURING THE 2016 CLASS AAAAA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

Whereas, well prepared for the challenge, the Dorman High School volleyball team (46‑2) powered its way to the 2016 Class AAAAA State Championship title, defeating Wando 3‑0 on November 12, 2016, at Dutch Fork High School; and

Whereas, the Lady Cavaliers, undefeated in region play, began by grabbing the Region III AAAAA title and then packed up the top trophy at the state competition, thus avenging themselves for last year’s loss at state to Wando; and

Whereas, this team effort earned Head Coach Paula Kirkland her twelfth crown in fourteen trips to the state finals and the school’s twelfth crown in program history. Further, Dorman became the first team to win the newly created Class AAAAA volleyball title, and the Lady Cavs set the best record in school history; and

Whereas, with grueling practices, hard work, and determination, Coach Kirkland and her assistants, Lia Kibler and Megan Steading, built their volleyball program into a championship team and plan to keep it that way; and

Whereas, nationally, the Lady Cavs ranked number 6 with *USA Today*, number 12 with *MaxPreps* Xcellent 25, and number 14 with *PrepVolleyball*. Within South Carolina, they ranked number 1 in AAAAA and number 1 statewide and in all classifications; and

Whereas, Dorman’s All‑Region players were Claudia Casey, Omara Daniels, Lily Dempsey, Thayer Hall, Caroline Plexico, and Anna Renwick. Senior Lily Dempsey was named a North‑South All‑Star and SCCAWS All‑State, and junior Thayer Hall was named South Carolina Class AAAAA Player of the Year, SCCAWS All‑State, Gatorade Player of the Year contender, First Team *USA Today* 2016 American Family Insurance ALL‑USA volleyball team, and *Spartanburg Herald Journal* Player of the Year; and

Whereas, the Dorman High School volleyball team has brought great pride and recognition to its school and community, and the House of Representatives is pleased to have this opportunity to recognize such a wonderful group of young women. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, salute the Dorman High School volleyball team for its outstanding season and congratulate the team’s exceptional players, coaches, and staff on capturing the 2016 Class AAAAA State Championship title.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Principal Ken Kiser and Head Coach Paula Kirkland of Dorman High School.

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