**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE THE BAPTIST HILL MIDDLE HIGH SCHOOL BOYS VARSITY BASKETBALL TEAM FOR CAPTURING THE 2017 CLASS A REGION AAAA CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE AND TO HONOR THE TEAM’S EXCEPTIONAL PLAYERS, COACHES, AND STAFF.

Whereas, fully prepared for the season’s challenge, the Baptist Hill Middle High School boys varsity basketball team scorched the nets and racked up an undefeated 12‑0 region record, a feat that handed them the 2017 Class A Region AAAA Championship title; and

Whereas, with the region’s most coveted award in high school boys basketball on the line, from the beginning the Bobcats focused all their knowledge, skill, and determination, took to heart their coaches’ exhortations, and came through like the champions they are; and

Whereas, by season’s end, which included a first‑round bye plus two more rounds in the state playoffs, the Baptist Hill team had played its way to a 15‑7 record overall; and

Whereas, as Baptist Hill fans cheered on their team during the season, the Bobcats, with equal doses of heart and hustle, orchestrated games that gave sports pundits confidence in predicting a repeat performance of success for 2018; and

Whereas, having honed her players into a championship machine, Head Coach Cez Champagne saw the fruits of her labors as her players proved they had taken to heart the skills she had sought to instill in them; and

Whereas, making a sweet season even sweeter, Coach Champagne was named 2017 Class A Region AAAA Coach of the Year for boys varsity basketball; and

Whereas, the House of Representatives takes great pleasure in recognizing the young men of the Baptist Hill Middle High School boys varsity basketball team for leading with excellence both in the classroom and on the court, and the members expect to hear of continued great achievements in the years ahead. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, congratulate the Baptist Hill Middle High School boys varsity basketball team for capturing the 2017 Class A Region AAAA Championship title and honor the team’s exceptional players, coaches, and staff.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Principal Vanessa Brown and Head Coach Cez Champagne of Baptist Hill Middle High School.

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