**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE OCEANSIDE COLLEGIATE ACADEMY GIRLS GOLF TEAM, COACHES, AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS FOR AN EXTRAORDINARY INAUGURAL SEASON AND TO CONGRATULATE THEM FOR WINNING THE 2017 SOUTH CAROLINA CLASS AAA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

Whereas, the South Carolina House of Representatives is pleased to learn that the members of Mt. Pleasant’s Oceanside Collegiate Academy golf team of Charleston County took top honors at the state competition held on Tuesday, October 24, 2017; and

Whereas, heavy rains on Monday made the first eighteen holes of the tournament impossible, so the tournament, originally scheduled to include thirty‑six holes, was shortened to the eighteen holes played on Tuesday. The alteration and the delay did not dampen the enthusiasm of the Oceanside Collegiate golfers; and

Whereas, to the delight of their faithful fans, the Oceanside Lady Landsharks became the first athletic team in the school’s history to win a state title. They defeated a fine, competitive field of golfers by posting a team score of 314; and

Whereas, most school teams play five players and count the four best scores, but Oceanside Collegiate only has four golfers on the team, which left the team depending on the best play of all four team members for every tournament; and

Whereas, the season record for the Lady Landsharks had demonstrated their ability to play at their best every time they teed off. They placed first in the Lady Rebel Invitational, second place in four others, and third place twice; and they took top honors for the Lower State Championship; and

Whereas, in the state match, sophomore Rachel Rich shot a 74, junior Gaby Martinez shot 76, and sophomores Kayla Bartemeyer and Lexi Lucarelli each posted 82, recording a team score of 314 to garner the state trophy for Oceanside Collegiate; and

Whereas, in a sport requiring strategy and skill on the fairways and greens, Coach Ty Gosnell and Coach Ryan Bartemeyer capitalized on their own athletic ability and training to produce a championship‑caliber team and teach these athletes lessons that will prove invaluable through life both on and off the greens; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives appreciate the pride and recognition that the Oceanside Collegiate golfers have brought to their school and 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 Oceanside Collegiate Academy girls golf team, coaches, and school officials for an extraordinary inaugural season and congratulate them for winning the 2017 South Carolina Class AAA State Championship title.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Principal Brenda Corley, Coach Ty Gosnell, and Coach Ryan Bartemeyer.

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