**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR PEGGY ANTHONY, FORMER TEACHER AND VOLLEYBALL COACH AT PICKENS HIGH SCHOOL, FOR HER OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE SCHOOL AND THE PICKENS COMMUNITY.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives are pleased to learn that the Pickens High School gymnasium will be named in the fall of 2018 in honor of longtime head volleyball coach Peggy Anthony, who has left a lasting mark on Pickens High School and the community; and

Whereas, the Pickens County School Board members approved a request to name the gym after legendary volleyball coach Peggy Anthony, who laid a foundation for Pickens High Blue Flame volleyball which has continued the winning tradition she established even after her retirement; and

Whereas, during her twenty‑six‑year tenure as head volleyball coach, she led the Pickens’ Lady Blue Flame teams to nine state championships, eleven upper‑state championships, and twenty‑two region championships; and

Whereas, Coach Anthony was the first volleyball coach in the Palmetto State to reach seven hundred wins, and she was ranked twelfth nationally in career wins when she retired in 2002; and

Whereas, with a career record of 737‑150, she had a 330‑15 conference record and fifteen undefeated seasons, and her teams made the playoffs every season for twenty‑six consecutive years; and

Whereas, not only did Coach Anthony head the volleyball team for twenty‑six years, but she also served as head basketball coach for six years and head track coach for one year, and she coached cheerleading; and

Whereas, in 1991, she was named Pickens High School Teacher of the Year, and in 2018, she was honored with induction into the South Carolina Coaches Association of Women’s Sports Hall of Fame, only its fourteenth inductee; and

Whereas, the South Carolina House of Representatives values the pride and recognition that Coach Peggy Anthony has brought to her community and to Pickens High School, and the members congratulate her as the school gymnasium is named in her honor and wish her success and happiness in all her future endeavors. 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 Peggy Anthony, former teacher and volleyball coach at Pickens High School, for her outstanding contributions to the school and the Pickens community.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Peggy Anthony.

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