**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE THE GOOSE CREEK HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM FOR CAPTURING THE 2019 CLASS AAAAA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE AND TO HONOR THE TEAM’S EXCEPTIONAL PLAYERS, COACH, AND STAFF.

Whereas, fully resolved to take home the gold, the Goose Creek High School girls basketball team crowned an outstanding season by netting the 2019 Class AAAAA State Championship title, defeating Spring Valley 52‑51 on Friday, March 1, 2019, in Columbia; and

Whereas, with the biggest prize in South Carolina high school girls basketball on the line, the Lady Gators focused all their knowledge, skill, and determination, took to heart their coach’s exhortations, and came through like the champions they are. The result? Their second state title in three seasons; and

Whereas, the Lady Gators overcame a 9‑point deficit in the final quarter, taking the lead with 9 seconds to play on a free throw; and

Whereas, having honed his players into a championship machine, Coach Tim Baldwin saw the fruit of his labors as the title trophy was hoisted; and

Whereas, the House of Representatives takes great pleasure in recognizing the young women of the Goose Creek High School girls basketball team for leading with excellence, both in the classroom and on the court, and expects 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 Goose Creek High School girls basketball team for capturing the 2019 Class AAAAA State Championship title and honor the team’s exceptional players, coach, and staff.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Principal Shameka Washington and Coach Tim Baldwin of Goose Creek High School.

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