**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE THE SCOTT’S BRANCH HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM FOR CAPTURING THE 2019 CLASS A STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE AND TO HONOR THE TEAM’S EXCEPTIONAL PLAYERS, COACHES, AND STAFF.

Whereas, fully resolved to take home the gold, the Scott’s Branch High School girls basketball team crowned an outstanding season by netting the 2019 Class A State Championship title, defeating High Point Academy 63‑49 on Friday, March 1, 2019, at Columbia’s Colonial Life Arena; and

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

Whereas, the Scott’s Branch players rallied from an early double‑digit deficit to capture the title, with a fourth‑quarter blitz powering the Lady Eagles unalterably past their opponent; and

Whereas, the members of this history‑making team were Mary Wimberly, Jazlynn Bowman, Cambria Parker, Tonia Lawson, Janyha Brown, Kashawna Sinkler, Teja Madison, Keonna Felder, Tyleiesha Gibson, Rosandra Bennett, and Chaniya Monroe; and

Whereas, making a sweet victory even sweeter, Scott’s Branch also saw sophomore Cambria Parker named 1A Player of the Year and senior Mary Wimberly tapped for the North‑South All‑Star team and named Most Valuable Player for the state title game; and

Whereas, having honed their players into a championship machine, Head Coach Lucinda M. Stukes, Assistant Coach Kimberly Ragin, Assistant Coach Lanetra Bennett, Session Assistant Coach Shermica Stukes, Manager Britany Sierra, Manager Syah Little, and Scorekeeper Angela Norton‑Stukes saw the fruit of their labors as the title trophy was hoisted; and

Whereas, the General Assembly takes great pleasure in recognizing the young women of the Scott’s Branch 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, the Senate concurring:

That the members of the South Carolina General Assembly, by this resolution, congratulate the Scott’s Branch High School girls basketball team for capturing the 2019 Class A State 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 Corey Burgess and Head Coach Lucinda M. Stukes of Scott’s Branch High School.

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