**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO APPLAUD THE CARDINAL NEWMAN BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM, COACH, AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS FOR SECURING THE 2019 SOUTH CAROLINA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL ASSOCIATION 3A STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

Whereas, on February 23, 2019, in their third face‑off with Hammond School, the Cardinal Newman boys basketball team clinched the South Carolina Independent School Association (SCISA) 3A State Championship title with a 57‑41 victory; and

Whereas, at the Sumter County Civic Center on this fateful Saturday, the Cardinals surged over the Skyhawks in the second quarter thanks in part to Chico Carter, Jr., and his twenty‑two points; and

Whereas, Cardinal Newman led the Skyhawks 27‑17 at the half. All they had to do was hold Hammond, and the trophy was theirs. Josh Beadle helped this effort along with the fifteen points he scored for the Cardinals; and

Whereas, this victory earned them their first title since 2013 after finishing as runner‑up in 2014 and 2017; and

Whereas, head coach Philip Deter drove his boys to value hard work and sharpened their natural talent, bringing out their very best; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives appreciate the recognition and prestige the Cardinal Newman boys basketball team has brought to their school and community and are eager to hear of their future accomplishments. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, applaud the Cardinal Newman boys basketball team, coach, and school officials for securing the 2019 South Carolina Independent School Association 3A State championship title.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to head coach Philip Deter and Principal Jacqualine Kasprowski.

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