**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE THE HILLCREST HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS VARSITY TRACK TEAM, COACHES, AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS FOR A REMARKABLE SEASON AND FOR WINNING THE 2019 SOUTH CAROLINA CLASS AAAAA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

Whereas, the South Carolina House of Representatives is pleased to learn that the members of the Hillcrest High School track team of Greenville County took home the state title from the state meet held at Spring Valley High School in Columbia on Friday and Saturday, May 11 and 12, 2019; and

Whereas, to the delight of their enthusiastic fans, the Hillcrest Lady Rams defeated a fine, competitive field of comers, besting their nearest rival, Nation Ford High School, by 16 points, while setting new state records in the 100‑, 400‑, and 800‑meter relays; and

Whereas, Camille Egbula contributed to the Hillcrest victory with an individual championship in the 800‑meter run, and teammate Zariere Dumas posted gold‑medal time in the 400‑meter dash; and

Whereas, in 2017, the Hillcrest team placed third at the state track meet, and with many returning members they placed second in 2018. With the majority of the team returning for the 2020 season, the Lady Rams may well prove to be a force with which the competing teams will have to reckon; and

Whereas, in a sport that demands speed, precision, and diversity, Head Coach Adrique Howard and Hillcrest’s skilled coaching staff maximized their own experience and passion to produce a championship‑caliber team and teach these athletes valuable lessons on the track of life; and

Whereas, appreciating the pride and recognition that the Hillcrest track team members have brought to their school and their community, the South Carolina House of Representatives looks forward to hearing 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, congratulate the Hillcrest High School girls varsity track team, coaches, and school officials for a remarkable season and for winning the 2019 South Carolina Class AAAAA State Championship title.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Dr. G. Bryan Skipper, Principal of Hillcrest High School, and Coach Adrique Howard.

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