**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE THE CARDINAL NEWMAN BOYS SOCCER TEAM, COACHES, AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS FOR CAPTURING THEIR SECOND SOUTH CAROLINA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL ASSOCIATION 3A CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE IN THREE YEARS AND TO WISH THEM MUCH CONTINUED SUCCESS.

Whereas, on Wednesday, May 15, 2019, at Heathwood Hall, the Cardinal Newman boys soccer team secured their second South Carolina Independent School Association (SCISA) 3A title in three years over rival Hammond School; and

Whereas, the match began on Saturday, May 11, 2019, but due to inclement weather was postponed to resume play on Wednesday with twenty minutes remaining; and

Whereas, play resumed with a free kick from about twenty yards out that was defended well by the Skyhawks, but Cardinal Newman applied continuous pressure. The competition was tight with both teams attempting to score the first goal; and

Whereas, it wasn’t until Jaime Lopez Gutierez scored in the seventy‑fourth minute, in what could be best described as a sprint to the finish, that the Cardinals finally pulled ahead. This would be the only goal of the day, the final score at 1‑0; and

Whereas, Cardinal Newman Coach Will Eudy said of the game, “Our talent and the way we prepared came out today. This group prepared better for this game than any team I’ve had in my thirteen years here. They were unbelievable. The things we worked on won the game”; and

Whereas, Hammond and Cardinal Newman have played each other multiple times over the years. They have played against each other for the last three state finals, with Cardinal Newman winning in 2017 and 2019. They also faced each other twice this year, splitting the wins; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives are grateful for the legacy of talent and hard work the Cardinal Newman boys soccer team has established and look forward to hearing of their many 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, congratulate the Cardinal Newman boys soccer team, coaches, and school officials for capturing their second South Carolina Independent School Association 3A championship title in three years and wish them much continued success.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Coach Will Eudy and Principal Jacqualine Kasprowski.

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