**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE GREEN SEA FLOYDS HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM, COACHES, AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS FOR AN OUTSTANDING SEASON AND TO CONGRATULATE THEM FOR WINNING THE 2019 SOUTH CAROLINA CLASS A STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

Whereas, the South Carolina House of Representatives is pleased to learn that the members of the Green Sea Floyds football team of Horry County took top honors at the state competition held at Charlie W. Johnson Stadium of Benedict College on Friday, December 6, 2019; and

Whereas, in a dominant repeat performance, the Green Sea Floyds High School Trojans defeated Ridge Spring‑Monetta for a 48‑12 victory to capture the team’s second consecutive state title; and

Whereas, Green Sea Floyds took a 13‑0 lead in the first seven minutes of play, scoring on both offense and defense, with a touchdown by senior quarterback Bubba Elliott and another from one of two interceptions by junior Aaron Graham. Before the teams left the field for halftime, the Trojans had posted 21 unanswered points and sophomore Dan Johnson had intercepted two passes; and

Whereas, within the first two minutes of play in the second half, junior Jaquan Dixon offered another 7 points for a 28‑0 lead while the Trojan defense pounded the otherwise high‑scoring Ridge Spring‑Monetta offense, forcing quick plays that resulted in faulty decisions; and

Whereas, Ridge Spring‑Monetta managed one touchdown in the third quarter and one in the fourth, but a 3‑yard touchdown run by Bubba Elliott for the Trojans interrupted them. Jaquan Dixon completed another touchdown, and Anwain Graham’s touchdown for the Trojans in the fourth quarter finalized the score at 48‑12; and

Whereas, many of Green Sea Floyds’ players displayed their athleticism on both sides of the ball in the title game. The defense made 12 tackles for a loss of yardage, nine of them sacks, on their opponent’s 57 offensive plays. Defensive linemen Tanner Cox and Xavier Edwards each had three tackles for loss; and

Whereas, for the game, Bubba Elliott gained 122 yards, scored two touchdowns, and completed two of three passes for 45 yards while Jaquan Dixon rushed for 132 yards and scored three touchdowns in the championship game, surpassing 1,800 rushing yards for the season. Trojans rushed for more than 4,000 yards during their season; and

Whereas, in a sport that demands strength, expertise, and determination, Head Coach Donnie Kiefer and his skilled coaching staff capitalized on their own athletic ability and training to forge a championship team and teach these athletes lessons that will prove invaluable through life both on and off the gridiron; and

Whereas, the South Carolina House of Representatives appreciates the pride and recognition that the Green Sea Floyds’ players have brought to their school and their community and expect to hear of their continued achievements 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, recognize and honor the Green Sea Floyds High School football team, coaches, and school officials for an outstanding season and congratulate them for winning the 2019 South Carolina Class A State Championship title.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Dr. Andrea Pridgen, Principal of Green Sea Floyds High School, and Coach Donnie Kiefer.

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