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A house RESOLUTION

tO RECOGNIZE AND honor the Members of the University of South Carolina Salkehatchie men’s basketball team and coaches, and TO congratulate them FOR winning the 2024 NJCAA Division 1 Region 10 Tournament Championship and NJCAA Division 1 Atlantic District Championship, and for earning a 22 seed for the NJCAA Division 1 National Championship Tournament.

Whereas, the University of South Carolina (USC) Salkehatchie men’s basketball program has established and maintained a proud tradition of excellence with equal emphases on character, academics, excellent play, superior teamwork, and extraordinary resilience; and

Whereas, first‑year Head Coach Matt Lynch engineered an incredible 20‑14 season for Salkehatchie with the youngest team in the conference and a freshman‑only roster; and

Whereas, USC Salkehatchie dominated the NJCAA Region 10 Tournament defeating Brunswick Community College 84‑78 in the first round, topping Richard Bland College 82‑77 in the semifinal, and defeating nationally ranked Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute 69‑58 in the finals to win the NJCAA Division 1 Region 10 Tournament Championship and the Atlantic District Championship; and

Whereas, the USC Salkehatchie men’s basketball team earned a 22 seed in the 2024 NJCAA National Tournament in Hutchinson, Kansas, the third appearance in the school’s history; and

Whereas, the phenomenal performance of the team is a clear indication of the outstanding athletic ability, dedication, hard work, unity of purpose, and spirit of each member of the team and the insightful direction of Head Coach Matt Lynch who was ably assisted by Maurice Crowder and Christian White; and

Whereas, Nevarda Higgins was named All‑Region 10 First Team and the Region 10 Newcomer of the Year; and

Whereas, Coach Matt Lynch was named the 2024 NJCAA Division 1 Atlantic District Coach of the Year; and

Whereas, such team achievements are made possible through the support of faculty, administrators, parents, and the community; and

Whereas, the South Carolina House of Representatives values the pride and recognition that the Salkehatchie basketball players have brought to their college and their community, and the members look forward to following 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 University of South Carolina Salkehatchie men’s basketball team and coaches and congratulate them on winning the 2024 NJCAA Division 1 Region 10 Tournament Championship and NJCAA Division 1 Atlantic District Championship, and for earning a 22 seed for the NJCAA Division 1 National Championship Tournament.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Coach Matt Lynch.

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