**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND COMMEND THE CHAPIN HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING BAND FOR A SPECTACULAR PERFORMING SEASON AND TO CONGRATULATE DIRECTOR KEVIN HEBERT, HIS FINE STAFF, AND THE BAND FOR CAPTURING THE 2012 CLASS AAA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

Whereas, the South Carolina House of Representatives is pleased to learn that the members of the Chapin High School “Pride of the Midlands” marching band took top honors at the state competition on October 27, 2012; and

Whereas, with a score of 95.3, the Pride’s highest score of the season, the band swept all categories to win its first state title in twenty‑six years; and

Whereas, performing a show entitled *Espanol Oscuro*, or “Dark Spanish,” Chapin’s talented musicians outplayed and outscored the other sixteen bands competing in the final round of the championship competition; and

Whereas, in order to win the state title, the band first competed in the Lower State Championships. Chapin scored a 91.275 and placed first above its thirteen competitors, sweeping all the caption awards, including music, marching, and overall effect, a feat the band flawlessly repeated at the state level; and

Whereas, Director Kevin Hebert, in an arena that demands unending discipline, practice, and energy, used his own musical ability and training to forge a championship marching band while teaching his students lessons that will prove invaluable through life; and

Whereas, the South Carolina House of Representatives is grateful for the pride and recognition the Chapin High School marching band has brought to its school and community, and the members look forward to hearing of the band’s 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, recognize and commend the Chapin High School marching band for a spectacular performing season and congratulate Director Kevin Hebert, his fine staff, and the band for capturing the 2012 Class AAA State Championship title.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Principal Akil Ross and Director Kevin Hebert of Chapin High School.

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