**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE THE BLUE RIDGE MIDDLE SCHOOL JUNIOR BETA CLUB ON ITS EXCITING STATE WINS AT THE 2013 JUNIOR BETA CLUB CONVENTION AND TO WISH ITS MEMBERS ALL THE BEST AS THEY COMPETE AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL IN JUNE.

Whereas, the South Carolina House of Representatives is pleased to learn that in January 2013 the Blue Ridge Middle School Junior Beta Club captured the 2013 Junior Beta Club Quiz Bowl State Championship, toppling Riverside Middle in the semifinals and Wren Middle in the finals; and

Whereas, this state victory earned the Blue Ridge Middle School Quiz Bowl team a berth in the June 2013 national competition, to be held in Mobile, Alabama, at the National Junior Beta Club Convention; and

Whereas, the Quiz Bowl team is comprised of Amy Barnette, Addie Callahan, Campbell Davenport, and Jake Holland, with Caleigh Terry as alternate; and

Whereas, adding further luster to an already shining Blue Ridge victory at the South Carolina Junior Beta Club Convention in Myrtle Beach, the school’s Poster Designteam also took first place. The team was given sixty minutes, a set of eight colored markers, and the theme “charity” as tools for producing a design, and by the end of the allotted hour team members Kandra Aho, Camryn Barnes, Bailey Black, and Shana Pereira had nailed the win; and

Whereas, Blue Ridge accrued another first‑place victory when the Tigers came out on top in the Banner competition. The winning banner featured the keys of Beta Club: character, leadership, service, and achievement; and

Whereas, other state winners were Addie Callahan, who took third place in the Language Arts test; Samantha Hartley, who won third place in Black and White Photography; and Micah Arms, who netted third place in Color Photography; and

Whereas, thriving under the leadership of Coach Peggy Johnson, Blue Ridge demonstrated that hard work and determination pay off and that they will be the team to beat in future competitions; and

Whereas, the House of Representatives takes great pride in commending the young men and women of the Blue Ridge Middle School Junior Beta Club for their remarkable achievements, and the members anticipate with interest hearing of the club’s continued successes in the years to come. 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 Blue Ridge Middle School Junior Beta Club on its exciting state wins at the 2013 Junior Beta Club Convention and wish its members all the best as they compete at the national level in June.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Principal Rebecca R. Greene and Coach Peggy Johnson of Blue Ridge Middle School.

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