**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE THE NORTH MYRTLE BEACH HIGH SCHOOL MOCK TRIAL TEAM UPON WINNING ITS SECOND CHAMPIONSHIP IN THE SOUTH CAROLINA BAR ASSOCIATION’S HIGH SCHOOL MOCK TRIAL STATE COMPETITION.

Whereas, North Myrtle Beach High School’s Mock Trial Team won its second championship in the South Carolina Bar Association’s High School Mock Trial State Championship held March 9, 2013, at the Marc H. Westbrook Lexington County Judicial Center; and

Whereas, the team won twelve out of the thirteen ballots against Fort Mill in the Championship Round and will now advance to the Mock Trial National Competition held in Indianapolis, Indiana May 9-11, 2013; and

Whereas, students presented the plaintiff and defendant sides of a fictitious case before a panel of local volunteer judges and lawyers and also filled the roles of defendants, witnesses, bailiffs, and timekeepers. Each team was judged on its presentation skills; and

Whereas, ably led by teacher coaches B.J. DeCerbo and Amy Murphy and attorney coaches Josh Holdford and Martin Spratlin, team members include Stephanie Pacheco, Kennedy Hayes, Allie Minarik, Shannon Cherney, Bailey Phillips, Lukas Gschwandtner, Courtni Hyatt, Brandon Lynch, and Kacey Markarian; and

Whereas, the team’s victory indicates the high level of knowledge and skill possessed by the members and is an outstanding accomplishment highly deserving of recognition. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the Senate, by this resolution, congratulate the North Myrtle Beach High School Mock Trial Team upon winning its second championship in the South Carolina Bar Association’s High School Mock Trial State Competition.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the North Myrtle Beach High School Mock Trial Team.

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