**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO SALUTE THE RIVERSIDE HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS VARSITY CROSS‑COUNTRY TEAM, COACHES, AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS FOR AN EXEMPLARY SEASON AND TO CONGRATULATE THEM ON TAKING HOME THE STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

Whereas, poised and ready for the starting signal, the Riverside High School girls varsity cross‑country team earned the crown at the Class AAAA State Championship; and

Whereas, on Saturday, November 8, 2014, at Sandhills Research Center in Columbia, the Lady Warriors jubilantly claimed their newly won title, and they did it carrying an impressive undefeated season record in South Carolina for the second straight year; and

Whereas, the Riverside team members had been pouring it on all season, as may be seen from their long list of wins. They came out on top at the 15 Mile Relay, Coaches Classic, Lake Murray Invitational, Canned Food Drive 5K charity meet, Wendy’s Invitational, and Golden Strip Invitational; and

Whereas, the Lady Warriors also were named Mile Split National Team of the Week for Sept 20, 2014, and their Mile Split Final National Ranking was number 18. In addition, Riverside’s Cate Ambrose was the Class AAAA Individual Girls Champion and Fastest Time at State winner. As a result of the team’s disciplined excellence in performance, seven National Elite runners and five All‑State runners wear Riverside’s royal blue and red; and

Whereas, Head Coach Eric Cummings was named Class AAAA Girls Coach of the Year, an award well deserved as proven by the fine seasons he harvests from instilling the value of hard work and determination into his team every year, ably assisted by Coach Heather Green; and

Whereas, grateful for the enhanced good reputation the Riverside High School girls cross‑country team members have brought to their school and community, the House looks with interest and expectation toward these athletes’ future achievements. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, salute the Riverside High School girls varsity cross‑country team, coaches, and school officials for an exemplary season and congratulate them on taking home the state championship title.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Principal Andy Crowley and Head Coach Eric Cummings.

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