**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE “BLEW,” SOUTH CAROLINA’S CHAMPION AMERICAN WATER SPANIEL, AND HIS OWNER, LOIS MCCRACKEN OF SUMTER, ON WINNING THE 2015 BEST IN BREED AWARD AT THE WESTMINSTER KENNEL CLUB DOG SHOW IN NEW YORK CITY.

Whereas, the South Carolina House of Representatives is pleased to learn that “Blew,” a champion American Water Spaniel from Sumter, won Best in Breed at the Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show, held in New York City February 16‑17, 2015; and

Whereas, holding the audience in the palm of his paw, this canine Sumter charmer nailed down his prize in the Sporting Breed category on Tuesday, February 17, bringing himself and breeder/owner/trainer Lois McCracken much satisfaction in return for all their hard work in preparing for the show; and

Whereas, also known by his show name, GCH Carolina’s Running With the Hare BN RN SH JHR CGC, Blew was born on September 12, 2011, the offspring of sire GCH Waterway Game Crk Hot Diggity JH and dam GCH Carolina’s Wild March Hare RAE SH JHR OA AJX OF CGC; and

Whereas, when he’s not showing his prize‑winning form in competitions, Blew serves as a big‑hearted therapy dog at Tuomey Regional Medical Center in Sumter; and

Whereas, Blew has brought great pride and recognition to his State, as has owner Lois McCracken, and the House takes immense pleasure in celebrating their exciting joint victory at the prestigious Westminster dog show. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, congratulate “Blew,” South Carolina’s champion American Water Spaniel, and his owner, Lois McCracken of Sumter, on winning the 2015 Best in Breed award at the Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show in New York City.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to Lois McCracken.

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