**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR CARLISLE CARRINGTON COOPER FOR HER EXCEPTIONAL POISE, TALENT, AND BEAUTY AND TO CONGRATULATE HER FOR BEING NAMED THE 2015 MISS SOUTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL AMERICA.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina Senate are pleased to learn that Carlisle Carrington Cooper, the daughter of Drs. Noble and Traci Cooper, was crowned the 2015 Miss South Carolina High School America and will represent the Palmetto State in the national competition to be held in Orlando, Florida, in July; and

Whereas, the Miss High School America Pageant competition exists to provide personal and professional opportunities for outstanding high school girls to compete in a pageant that maintains the highest moral values; and

Whereas, a sophomore at Blythewood High School, Carlisle is a DUKE TIP Scholar, a University of South Carolina Master Scholar, and a member of her school’s Honors Forum. She plans to attend Duke University or the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and to become a family law attorney; and

Whereas, Carlisle is a member of Jack and Jill of America Keen Teens and the Blythewood High School Chapter of the Leo Club, a youth service program of the Lions Club International. She also serves on the Blythewood High School Stocking Stuffers/Holiday Wishes Committee; and

Whereas, a member of the Blythewood High School Mock Trial Team, she participated in the 2014 Envision Pre‑Law Intensive Summer Institute at Stanford Universitywhere she explored the field of law and engaged in courtroom simulations; and

Whereas, Carlisle is the secretary of the Young University Women’s Program, an arm of the National Association of University Women. She is a museum apprentice mentor at EdVenture Children’s Museum and a member of the her school orchestra; and

Whereas, a faithful member of the First Calvary Baptist Church, she serves on the Praise Dance Ensemble and as the president of the church’s Young People’s Christian Association and a children’s church aide; and

Whereas, her pageant platform is her statewide “Create A Smile‑Dental Health Campaign,” an oral‑health program designed to educate children ages one to six about taking proper care of their teeth. The program provides children with toothbrushes, floss, and toothpaste; dental care education; and proper brushing and flossing techniques; and

Whereas, Carlisle was crowned the 2015 Miss Sophomore and the 2014 Miss Freshman at Blythewood High School and the 2014 and 2015 Blythewood High School Pageant “Miss Fundraiser,” for raising the most funds and garnering business and private support for the pageant and the Blythewood High School Performing Arts Department; and

Whereas, the South Carolina Senate appreciates the outstanding contributions that Carlisle Cooper is making as she represents the Palmetto State in her role as Miss South Carolina High School America 2015, and the members look to hear of her ongoing accomplishments in the future. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, recognize and honor Carlisle Carrington Cooper for her exceptional poise, talent, and beauty and congratulate her for being named the 2015 Miss South Carolina High School America.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to Carlisle Carrington Cooper.

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