**A** **SENATE RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE THE DORMAN HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL TEAM, COACHES, AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS ON A STELLAR SEASON AND TO HONOR THEM FOR WINNING THE 2017 CLASS 5A STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

Whereas, the South Carolina Senate is proud to recognize the Dorman High School basketball team for winning its first state basketball championship on March 3, 2017 at the Colonial Life Arena; and

Whereas, the Dorman High School Cavaliers were ranked number one in the 2017 preseason and finished out their season 23-5; and

Whereas, in the state championship game against the Blythewood Bengals, Dorman player Tyson McLain led the team with 13 points, followed by Bryson Woodruff with 11 points; and

Whereas, Dorman held the lead throughout the second quarter, and Tyson McClain solidified that lead with a three-point shot near the end of the second quarter, letting the Cavaliers enter halftime 28-23; and

Whereas, the final play, called a tomahawk, started out with point guard Myles Tate dribbling up top and then moving a little to the left when he found Zach Butler, an Ohio University signee, cutting to the basket; and

Whereas, Zach Butler’s backdoor layup, with only forty seconds left, gave the Cavaliers a 55-53 victory over Blythewood; and

Whereas, the win is the first state championship for coach and former Lexington standout Thomas Ryan. Bailey Harris, Ryan’s own high school coach, presented Ryan with a commemorative basketball from the S.C. Basketball Coaches Association; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina Senate appreciate the pride and recognition that the Dorman basketball players have brought to their school and community and look with interest to hear of their future success. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, congratulate the Dorman High School basketball team, coaches, and school officials on a stellar season and honor them for winning the 2017 class 5A state championship title.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Principal Ken Kiser and Coach Thomas Ryan of Dorman High School.

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