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Summary: Gilbert High School Bel Canto and Chorale

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**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE GILBERT HIGH SCHOOL BEL CANTO AND CHORALE FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING MUSICAL PERFORMANCES, AND TO CONGRATULATE THEM FOR TAKING TOP HONORS AT THE STATE CHORAL FESTIVAL.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives were pleased to learn that the Gilbert High School Bel Canto and the Chorale both received the State Choral Festival’s First Place State Recognition for 2010 on March 25; and

Whereas, the State Choral Festival is the state level of competition for South Carolina’s high school choral ensembles sponsored by the South Carolina Music Educators’ Association; and

Whereas, competing against other class A and AA school choral ensembles, the Gilbert High School Chorale and Bel Canto each earned a performance rating of superior and ranked first in their division with a tie in their final overall score; and

Whereas, the concept of the Italian musical term *bel canto* emerged in the sixteenth century and is considered by many to belong solely to the voices of Italian singers; and

Whereas, Gilbert High School’s Bel Canto boasting twenty‑six singers and the Chorale with thirty‑three voices have imported that style of “beautiful singing” to the tones that they sing to the delight of their audiences; and

Whereas, using her own musical talent and leadership skills, Director Miki Wright has crafted a musical program and led the young vocalists in both of these choirs to state championship victories; and

Whereas, the choirs, accompanied by Grayson Sarvis, enjoy enthusiastic support from parents involved in the Booster Club with Teresa Johnson as its president; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives are grateful for the exceptional talent and hard work of these students that have brought so much pride and recognition to their school and to their community. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, recognize and honor the Gilbert High School Bel Canto and Chorale for their outstanding musical performances, and congratulate them for taking top honors at the State Choral Festival.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Principal Ann O’Cain and Director Miki Wright.

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