**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO CONGRATULATE DUTCH FORK HIGH SCHOOL OF SCHOOL DISTRICT FIVE OF LEXINGTON AND RICHLAND COUNTIES ON BEING NAMED TO *NEWSWEEK* MAGAZINE’S 2011 LIST OF AMERICA’S BEST HIGH SCHOOLS.

Whereas, the South Carolina House of Representatives is pleased to note that Dutch Fork High School of School District Five of Lexington and Richland Counties has been named to *Newsweek* magazine’s 2011 list of America’s Best High Schools; and

Whereas, one of four schools in the Palmetto State tapped for the honor, Dutch Fork High was ranked number 472 in the 500 schools comprising the *Newsweek* national listings; and

Whereas, this year, the magazine changed its methodology for ranking high schools in an effort to better reflect a school’s success in producing college‑ and life‑ready students. Each school was judged on six factors: graduation rate (25 percent); college matriculation (25 percent); Advanced Placement tests taken per graduate (25 percent); average SAT/ACT scores (10 percent); average Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, and Advanced International Certificate of Education program scores (10 percent); and Advanced Placement courses offered (5 percent); and

Whereas, Dutch Fork was the only traditional public high school to make the list in South Carolina; and

Whereas, the House of Representatives takes great pleasure in recognizing Dutch Fork as one of the nation’s best high schools, and the members expect to hear of continued great achievements in the years ahead. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives, by this resolution, congratulate Dutch Fork High School of School District Five of Lexington and Richland Counties on being named to *Newsweek* magazine’s 2011 list of America’s Best High Schools.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to Principal Gregg Morton of Dutch Fork High School.

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