**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE HEATHWOOD HALL EPISCOPAL SCHOOL BASKETBALL TEAM FOR A SUCCESSFUL SEASON, AND TO CONGRATULATE THE PLAYERS AND THEIR COACHES FOR CAPTURING THE 2011 SOUTH CAROLINA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL ASSOCIATION STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina General Assembly are pleased to learn that the Heathwood Hall Episcopal School basketball team emerged as victors at the South Carolina Independent School Association (SCISA) State Championship on February 26, 2011; and

Whereas, with a series of stunning defensive turnovers, rebounds, steals, and blocks, the Heathwood Hall Highlanders hoisted their first SCISA state championship trophy in basketball by defeating the Wilson Hall Barons 50 to 41; and

Whereas, to the delight of the Highlander fans and the disappointment of their royal opponents, Heathwood hit the backboards at the start of the second quarter with nine unanswered points, and the Barons never regained the lead for the rest of the title game; and

Whereas, Joseph James led Heathwood with a game‑high 21 points and matched it with four rebounds and four assists; senior Corey Littlejohn, with more than two thousand points in his four years, ended his high school career with 19 points to which he added eight rebounds, three assists, three steals, and three blocks; and

Whereas, in a sport that requires speed, agility, accuracy, endurance, and strength, Heathwood Hall’s suffocating defense held Wilson Hall while the offense drove to the basket; and

Whereas, using their own athletic ability and training, Head Coach Jeff Whalen and his skilled coaching staff forged a championship team through relentless practices and demanding drills and taught these fine athletes lessons that will prove invaluable throughout life both on and off the court; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina General Assembly are grateful for the pride and recognition that the Heathwood Hall Episcopal School basketball players have brought to their school and to their community and look to hear of their success in the future. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring:

That the members of the South Carolina General Assembly, by this resolution, recognize and honor the Heathwood Hall Episcopal School basketball team for a successful season, and congratulate the players and their coaches for capturing the 2011 South Carolina Independent School Association State Championship title.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Chuck Jones, Head of School, and Coach Jeff Whalen.

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