**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE RIVER BLUFF HIGH SCHOOL VARSITY CHEERLEADING SQUAD, COACHES, AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS FOR AN OUTSTANDING SEASON AND TO CONGRATULATE THEM FOR WINNING THE 2013 CLASS AAA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

Whereas, the South Carolina House of Representatives is pleased to learn that the members of the River Bluff High School cheerleading squad of Lexington County took top honors at the state competition held at the Colonial Life Arena in Columbia on November 23, 2013; and

Whereas, the athletic program of River Bluff High School boasts the first school in state history to capture a state championship in a sport during the school’s inaugural year; and

Whereas, the River Bluff High School Gators cheerleading squad is composed of students from all grades of the high school, as well as students from Meadow Glen Middle School; and

Whereas, throughout a flawlessly executed choreography, the Gators performed their jumps, stunts, tumbling, and transitions to the delight of fans and judges alike; and

Whereas, the Gators wrested the trophy from nine‑time state champions Chapin High School, unseating the Chapin Eagles with a score of 307, a comfortable 23‑point margin over the Eagles who settled for second place; and

Whereas, standout Lady Gator Courtney Dolan was named the 2013 Class AAA Cheerleader of the Year by the South Carolina Coaches Association of Women’s Sports; and

Whereas, in a sport that demands precision, grace, and strength, Head Coach Koren McManus and Assistant Coach Whitney Jones capitalized on their own athletic ability and training to mold a championship team and teach these athletes lessons that will prove invaluable through life both on and off the mat; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives appreciate the pride and recognition that the River Bluff High School cheerleaders have brought to their school and their community and look to hear of their continued accomplishments in the days ahead. 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 River Bluff High School varsity cheerleading squad, coaches, and school officials for an outstanding season and congratulate them for winning the 2013 Class AAA State Championship title.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Dr. Luke Clamp, principal of River Bluff High School, and Coach Koren McManus.

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