**A** **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE LAMAR HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM, COACHES, AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS FOR AN OUTSTANDING SEASON AND TO CONGRATULATE THEM FOR WINNING THE 2015 CLASS A DIVISION II SOUTH CAROLINA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

Whereas, the South Carolina House of Representatives is pleased to learn that members of the Lamar High School football team of Darlington County took top honors at the state competition held at Charlie W. Johnson Stadium on the campus of Benedict College in Columbia on Saturday, December 5, 2015; and

Whereas, to the cheers of their exuberant fans, the Lamar Silver Foxes capped a successful 11‑3 season by defeating the C.E. Murray War Eagles 28‑0 to claim the football team’s fourth state title in the school’s history; and

Whereas, Lamar quarterback Decobie Durant scored on a one‑yard touchdown run that put the Silver Foxes up 6‑0 when they took to the lockers at halftime; and

Whereas, teammate TréVione Ceasar, who rushed for 142 yards in the championship game, scored on a short run in the third quarter that was capped by a two-point conversion to increase Lamar’s lead to 14-0, while a 15‑yard touchdown pass from the quarterback to Taylor Huneycutt put the Silver Foxes up 20‑0 in the fourth quarter; and

Whereas, Dashon Barr, who recorded 104 rushing yards for Lamar, posted a 49‑yard touchdown run that brought the final score of 28‑0 in the championship game; and

Whereas, the strong Lamar defense held the War Eagles to under 100 yards through defensive leaders Jeblonski Green, who had fifteen tackles, and David Cribb with six tackles and three sacks; and

Whereas, Silver Fox Malik Johnson also posted six tackles, and Randell Woods had four tackles and a half sack. Teammates Roderick Brown and Decobie Durant each had one interception; and

Whereas, in a sport that demands strength, expertise, and determination, Head Coach Corey Fountain and his skilled coaching staff capitalized on their own athletic ability and training to forge a championship team and teach these athletes lessons that will prove invaluable through life both on and off the gridiron; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina House of Representatives appreciate the pride and recognition that Lamar High School football players have brought to their school and 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 Lamar High School football team, coaches, and school officials for an outstanding season and congratulate them for winning the 2015 Class A Division II South Carolina State Championship title.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Principal Kathy Gainey and Coach Corey Fountain.

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