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A house RESOLUTION

To recognize and honor the Wilson High School Academic Challenge team, advisors, and school officials for Pursuing rigorous academic training, and to congratulate them for capturing the Division 1 South Carolina State Championship of Academics.

Whereas, the South Carolina House of Representatives is pleased to learn that the Wilson High School Academic Challenge team of Florence County captured the state title at the South Carolina State Championship of Academics held at Lander University on Friday, March 7, 2025; and

Whereas, in the semifinals, Wilson High defeated Indian Land High School by a score of 41-28, and in the finals, Wilson High defeated Lugoff-Elgin High School by a score of 37-25 to claim the Division 1 South Carolina Academic title; and

Whereas, the victory was all the sweeter for the members of the Wilson team because they had lost the finals of the state championship the year before to Indian Land by only four questions; and

Whereas, starting in November, the team competed in seven undefeated regular season matches. On March first, Wilson High participated in the Pee Dee Regional Championship where the team completed five undefeated round-robin matches to move to the regional finals against West Florence High School. Wilson defeated West Florence to win the Pee Dee Regional Academic Championship Tournament for the opportunity to compete in the state semifinals and the finals; and

Whereas, members of the championship team included sophomores Isabel Quann, Aaron Cheng, Ishan Gopal, Ethan Engelhardt, Kashish Solanki, and Shree Patel; juniors James Ardis, Will Gaskins, Hugh Granger, and Brandon Stephenson; and seniors Carlos Ruiz, Catherine Canfield, Margaret Milligan, and Sam Floyd; and

Whereas, Wilson team Captains James Ardis and Carlos Ruiz were named regional outstanding players, and Ethan Engelhardt, Hugh Granger, Will Gaskins, Carlos Ruiz, Catherine Canfield, Sam Floyd, and James Ardis led the team to the state championship; and

Whereas, in competition that demands mental agility and arduous study, team advisors Kay Starrett and Griselda Milligan used their own academic training and experience to forge a championship-caliber team and teach these students lessons that will be invaluable throughout life; and

Whereas, the South Carolina House of Representatives values the pride and recognition that the Wilson High academic team students have brought to their school and to their community, and the members look forward to hearing of their continued achievements 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 Wilson High School Academic Challenge team, advisors, and school officials for pursuing rigorous academic training, and congratulate them for capturing the Division 1 South Carolina State Championship of Academics.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Dr. Eric Robinson, principal, and to advisors Kay Starrett and Griselda Milligan.

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