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A senate RESOLUTION

TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE Blythewood High School girls varsity basketball TEAM, COACHES, AND SCHOOL OFFICIALS FOR A REMARKABLE SEASON AND TO CONGRATULATE THEM on WINNING THE 2025 SOUTH CAROLINA CLASS AAAAA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

Whereas, the South Carolina Senate is pleased to learn that the members of the Blythewood girls basketball team of Richland County captured the state title at the Class AAAAA Division 1 championship held at the Florence Center on Friday, March 7, 2025; and

Whereas, to the cheers of their exuberant fans, the Blythewood Bengals defeated a competitive Summerville High School 62‑56 to take home the state trophy. The victory marked the first state championship for the Blythewood girls basketball program, with an historic state championship run; and

Whereas, this achievement only three years after a winless 2022 season is quite a program statement for Head Coach Emily McElveen Schaeffer, her staff, and the players. While it was evident early on that the team had something special in the making, Coach Schaeffer was focused on taking things day‑by‑day; and

Whereas, from the summer workouts in June through the fall league, the team showed extraordinary potential, a chemistry in the way the athletes meshed and their intensity playing together; and

Whereas, in a sport that demands speed, precision, and strength, Coach Schaeffer and her skilled coaching staff maximized their own athletic experience and training to produce a championship‑caliber team and teach these athletes lessons that will prove invaluable through life both on and off the courts; and

Whereas, the South Carolina Senate appreciates the pride and recognition that these Blythewood basketball players have brought to their school and their community, and the members look forward to following their continued achievements in the days ahead. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate:

That the members of the South Carolina Senate, by this resolution, recognize and honor the Blythewood High School girls varsity basketball team, coaches, and school officials for a remarkable season and congratulate them on winning the 2025 South Carolina Class AAAAA State Championship title.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Principal Matt Sherman and Coach Emily McElveen Schaeffer.

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