**A** **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

TO RECOGNIZE AND COMMEND THE WHITE KNOLL HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING BAND OF LEXINGTON COUNTY FOR A SPECTACULAR PERFORMING SEASON, AND TO CONGRATULATE SCHOOL OFFICIALS, THE DIRECTORS, AND THE BAND FOR CAPTURING THE 2011 SOUTH CAROLINA CLASS AAAA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE.

Whereas, the South Carolina General Assembly is pleased to learn that the members of the White Knoll marching band of Lexington County took top honors at the state competition on October 29, 2011; and

Whereas, for the second consecutive year, the White Knoll marching band has garnered the first‑place trophy at the state level while taking numerous other awards at five other competitions this year on their way to the top again; and

Whereas, for the fourth time the musicians, marchers, and dancers have taken the lower‑state AAAA championship, and at the Western Carolina Tournament of Champions which includes bands from several Southeastern states, they earned the best color guard and third place overall; and

Whereas, in this year’s state competition, thirteen bands across the Palmetto State qualified to appear in the class AAAA division, and White Knoll won all three captions: outstanding music performance, outstanding visual performance, and general effect to earn a superior rating; and

Whereas, with a final score of 95.65, the White Knoll Timberwolves howled their way to victory and surpassed their own superior rating from last year of 95.0, as if in competition with themselves; and

Whereas, in an arena that demands discipline, practice, and energy, Director of Bands Ken Turner and his skilled directing staff used their own musical ability and training to forge a championship team and teach these students lessons that will prove invaluable through life both on and off the marching field; and

Whereas, the members of the South Carolina General Assembly are grateful for the pride and recognition the White Knoll marching band members 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, the Senate concurring:

That the members of the South Carolina General Assembly, by this resolution, recognize and commend the White Knoll High School marching band of Lexington County for a spectacular performing season, and congratulate school officials, the directors, and the band for capturing the 2011 South Carolina Class AAAA State Championship title.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be presented to Principal Jo Mayer and Director of Bands Ken Turner.

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