## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 738**

Commending the Broad Run High School softball team.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, January 19, 2001 Agreed to by the Senate, January 25, 2001

WHEREAS, the Broad Run High School Spartans softball team won the 2000 Virginia High School League Group AA state softball championship; and

WHEREAS, completing a 25-3 season with a 9-0 record in postseason play, the Spartans returned to Loudoun County with their school's first state championship in any sport in nearly 10 years; and

WHEREAS, led by sophomore pitcher Christy Anch and senior third-baseman Autumn Wacker, Broad Run won the Northwestern District tournament and the Region II tournament to qualify for the state Group AA tournament; and

WHEREAS avenging two regular-season defeats, the Spartans defeated arch rival Park View High School three times in the postseason, including a 5-0 victory in the state semifinal game; and

WHEREAS, in the state title game, the Spartans prevailed with a four-run rally in the top of the 11th inning to defeat Virginia High School, 4-0; and

WHEREAS, through the three postseason tournaments, the Spartans yielded only one run, the same number they gave up all season on their home field; and

WHEREAS, with a strong defense, dominant pitching, and a rejuvenated offense that peaked at the right time, Head Coach Ed Steele's Spartans completed a dream season with a state championship; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly salute the Broad Run High School softball team on their 2000 state championship; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Head Coach Ed Steele in honor of the triumphant 2000 season of the Broad Run High School softball team.