HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 57

Commending the Harris Rangers baseball team.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, January 11, 2002 Agreed to by the Senate, January 17, 2002

WHEREAS, the Harris Rangers, a Virginia-based team of 16-year-old players, won the 2001 Continental Amateur Baseball Association (CABA) World Series in Dallas, Texas; and

WHEREAS, comprised of players from Prince William, Fairfax, and Shenandoah Counties, the Harris Rangers compiled a record of 10 wins and 1 loss in capturing the national championship; and

WHEREAS, team general manager Mark Harris, owner of Harris Baseball in Manassas, assembled the team for the 2000 season, which the Rangers completed with a third-place finish in the Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) national 15 and under tournament in Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, building on their success in 2000, the Harris Rangers played a 2001 regular season in the Old Dominion Summer League, frequently against teams with older, more experienced players, to prepare for the rigors of the national championship tournament; and

WHEREAS, in 11 games in Texas, the Harris Rangers scored 126 runs, a new record for the CABA World Series, and yielded an average of just over four runs per game in defeating teams from across the United States, Puerto Rico, and Mexico; and

WHEREAS, the 17 members of the Harris Rangers showed great skill, teamwork, and dedication in working successfully toward their goal of a national baseball championship; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly commend the Harris Rangers baseball team on their outstanding performance at the CABA World Series; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Mark Harris as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the exceptional success of the Harris Rangers baseball team.