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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 226

Offered February 25, 2008

Commending the William Campbell High School softball team.

Patrons—Newman and Hurt; Delegate: Byron

WHEREAS, the William Campbell High School softball team won the 2007 Virginia High School League (VHSL) Group A softball championship on June 9, 2007; and

WHEREAS, the William Campbell High School Generals (25 - 3) claimed their first state title in a 4 - 0 victory over Glenvar High School; and

WHEREAS, led by seniors Autumn Burch and twin sisters Dagen and Drew Rutledge, the Generals played excellent defense—they did not commit a single error—and had strong pitching from sophomore Amber Marstin who struck out six; and

WHEREAS, Drew Rutledge, the Generals' leadoff hitter, went three for four with a triple and scored three of William Campbell's four runs, each time after being bunted over or in by Autumn Burch; Dagen Rutledge, who could not play in the championship game because of an injury suffered in the semifinal, still managed to play an important role, calling pitches and even pinch running at one point; and

WHEREAS, the triumphant performance of the 2007 Generals is a tribute to the talent, commitment, and perseverance of the players; the leadership of Head Coach Chris Smith and his staff; and the support of the parents, students, and faculty of William Campbell High School; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend and congratulate the William Campbell High School softball team on its 2007 VHSL Group A softball championship; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Head Coach Chris Smith as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the outstanding performance of the 2007 Generals' softball team.