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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 920

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Commending the Frank W. Cox High School girls' field hockey team.

Patrons—Purkey, Bouchard, Iaquinto, Knight, Mathieson and Tata; Senators: Blevins, Stolle and Wagner

WHEREAS, the Frank W. Cox High School girls' field hockey team finished yet another outstanding season by winning the 2008 Virginia High School League (VHSL), Group AAA state championship on November 15, 2008; and

WHEREAS, demonstrating near total dominance in field hockey, the Frank W. Cox High School Lady Falcons defeated fellow district school, Princess Anne High School, winning the team's third consecutive Group AAA state crown; and

WHEREAS, on the way to clinching the state championship, the Lady Falcons won 24 games, while losing only two for the 2008 season, bringing their overall losses to only four for the past three years of competition; and

WHEREAS, in an amazing feat, the Lady Falcons have now won 16 state championships, breaking the team's own best record of 15 state titles; and

WHEREAS, by winning a record 16 state championships, the Lady Falcons have earned the distinguished record of Most Successful Team in VHSL history, as no other field hockey team in the VHSL has competed in and won as many state titles; and

WHEREAS, with the state record of most wins, the Lady Falcons have established themselves as one of the most successful field hockey teams in the United States—only two other schools in the nation have competed in and won 16 state championships in field hockey; and

WHEREAS, the Lady Falcons won the state title without fielding a single senior player, signifying the maturity and skill of the Lady Falcons team and the leadership of Coach Julie Swain; and

WHEREAS, the dominating performance of the Lady Falcons over the past three years of competition is a testament to the dedication, talent, and overall commitment of the players; the experience and ability of Coach Julie Swain; and the tremendous support of the parents, faculty, and entire student body of Frank W. Cox High School; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend and congratulate the Lady Falcons from Frank W. Cox High School as Virginia High School League, Group AAA field hockey state champions; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Head Coach Swain as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the championship performance and continued excellence of the Frank W. Cox High School girls' field hockey team.

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