## 2014 SESSION

## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 151

Commending the Salem Red Sox baseball team.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, January 17, 2014 Agreed to by the Senate, January 23, 2014

WHEREAS, the Salem Red Sox baseball team capped a winning season by clinching the coveted Mills Cup Championship in 2013; and

WHEREAS, finishing the regular season 76 - 64, the Salem Red Sox found themselves atop the division after winning 25 of their last 33 games; and

WHEREAS, with a team ERA of 1.34 in five postseason games, the Salem Red Sox swept the playoffs, becoming the first Carolina League team in seven years to do so; and

WHEREAS, in the final game against the Potomac Nationals, the Salem Red Sox jumped out to an early 6 - 1 lead after designated hitter Sean Coyle had a pair of two-run doubles; and

WHEREAS, pitcher William Cuevas threw for six innings, leaving the game with the Salem Red Sox ahead 6 - 3; and

WHEREAS, the Salem Red Sox defense held strong in the last three innings, allowing only one run in 13 at-bats; and

WHEREAS, in front of an excited crowd of 4,350, the Salem Red Sox held on to win the Mills Cup Championship in a 6 - 4 victory; and

WHEREAS, each of the players, coaches, and staff contributed to the win; it was the team's first Championship since 2001 and their fifth title overall; now, therefore, be it

RÉSOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Salem Red Sox baseball team on their 2013 Mills Cup Championship; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Billy McMillion, general manager of the Salem Red Sox baseball team, as an expression of the General Assembly's congratulations on their successful season. HJ151ER