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Commending the Blacksburg High School boys' soccer team.

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WHEREAS, the Blacksburg High School boys' soccer team demonstrated skill and dedication when they won the Virginia High School League Group AA soccer state championship in June 2013; and

WHEREAS, finishing the season with a record of 21 - 0 - 2, the Blacksburg High School Bruins won a record-setting 12th state championship during their 19th title game appearance in 25 years; and

WHEREAS, taking an early lead, the Blacksburg Bruins set the tone in the championship game; in the 71st minute, the Blacksburg Bruins connected off a cross to score the third and final goal of the game; and

WHEREAS, allowing only six goals all season, the Blacksburg Bruins made program history by posting their third shutout during 2013 championship play; and

WHEREAS, never allowing the excitement surrounding a championship to distract them, the Blacksburg Bruins played consistent and impressive soccer all season long; and

WHEREAS, the victory is due to the talent and dedication of the players, leadership of the head coach and staff, and support from the Blacksburg High School community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the 2013 Blacksburg High School boys' soccer team for winning the Virginia High School League Group AA state championship; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Shelley Blumenthal, head coach of the Blacksburg High School boys' soccer team, as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the team's prowess and dedication.