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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 200

Offered January 23, 2014

Commending the Atlee High School girls' volleyball team.

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WHEREAS, the Atlee High School girls' volleyball team exhibited strength and perseverance by winning the Virginia High School League Group 5A state volleyball championship in November 2013; and

WHEREAS, in a five-set thriller, the Atlee High School Lady Raiders captured their first ever state championship by defeating Stone Bridge High School; and

WHEREAS, trailing two sets to one, the Lady Raiders tied the game in the fourth set, winning by a score of 25 - 23 after a net strike by Stone Bridge; and

WHEREAS, after numerous lead changes in the fifth set, the Lady Raiders spiked the ball on the Bulldogs side of the court, winning the final set 15 - 13 to claim their first state championship; and

WHEREAS, the Lady Raiders were ably led by head coach Curtis Carpenter and athletic trainer Sally Marks; and

WHEREAS, each athlete—Kylah Blackmore, Zaliah Carey, Emily Colombo, Madeline French, Rileigh Glasgow, Molly Jarvis, Emalee Martin, Melanie Snyder, Lauren Stanford, Rachel Stanford, Erin Swierczewski, Clarke Tyler, Miranda Westbrook, and Madison Whitehurst—contributed immensely to the victory; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Atlee High School girls' volleyball team for winning the Virginia High School League Group 5A state volleyball championship; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Curtis Carpenter, head coach of the Atlee High School girls' volleyball team, as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the team's skill and determination.