SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 7

Commending the James Monroe High School football team.

Agreed to by the Senate, January 9, 2014

WHEREAS, the James Monroe High School football team showed heart and dedication in their Virginia High School League Group 3A state semifinal win in December 2013; and

WHEREAS, finishing the season with a record of 10-5, the James Monroe High School (JMHS) Yellow Jackets won the state semifinal against Heritage High School, advancing to the state championship game; and

WHEREAS, trailing by a touchdown at the end of the first quarter, sophomore defensive tackle Antonio Wynn-Coleman made an incredible interception, giving the JMHS Yellow Jackets the ball with a short field; and

WHEREAS, on the first play of the second quarter, quarterback Jay Scroggins completed a short touchdown pass to Kordell Boyd; and

WHEREAS, on their next series, Jay Scroggins completed a 34-yard catch-and-run to Jarmal Bevels and finished the drive with a seven-yard pitch to Kendrick Wilkins, giving the JMHS Yellow Jackets the lead; and

WHEREAS, for the remainder of the game, the JMHS defense shone; Heritage High School capped an eight-play drive with a three-yard scoring run, but Antonio Wynn-Coleman blocked the extra-point attempt, maintaining the JMHS lead, and the win, with a score of 14-13; and

WHEREAS, the state semifinal victory is a statement to the talent and dedication of the players, the leadership of the coaching staff, and the support of the James Monroe High School community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate of Virginia, That the James Monroe High School football team hereby be commended on winning the 2013 Virginia High School League Group 3A state semifinal, and advancing to the state championship game; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Rich Serbay, coach of the James Monroe High School football team, as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's admiration for the team's skill and commitment.