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## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 5135

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*Commending the Western Albemarle High School boys' soccer team.*

Patrons—Toscano, Bell, R.B., and Landes; Senator: Deeds

WHEREAS, the Western Albemarle High School boys' soccer team won the Virginia High School League Group 3A state championship on June 14, 2014, capping an undefeated season; and

WHEREAS, the Western Albemarle High School Warriors defeated the Blacksburg High School Bruins 7 - 6 on penalty kicks after a 2 - 2 draw and a defensive struggle in four periods of overtime; and

WHEREAS, senior Forrest White took the winning penalty kick, ending his high school career as Western Albemarle High School's leading scorer and a state record holder with 59 goals; he also set the state record for career points; and

WHEREAS, senior Chase Stokes, who was a crucial member of the varsity football and basketball teams, also completed his distinguished high school career with the state championship victory and was named Western Albemarle High School's Male Athlete of the Year; and

WHEREAS, the Western Albemarle High School Warriors finished the season with a perfect 24 - 0 record to claim the program's first state title since 1996; and

WHEREAS, the victory is a testament to the skill and hard work of each of the players, the leadership of the coaches and staff, and the enthusiastic support of the entire Western Albemarle High School community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Western Albemarle High School boys' soccer team on winning the Virginia High School League Group 3A state championship to complete a perfect season; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Paul Rittenhouse, head coach of the Western Albemarle High School boys' soccer team, as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the team's achievements.

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