

2014 SPECIAL SESSION I

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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 509

Commending the Bland-Rocky Gap combined forensics team.

Agreed to by the Senate, June 12, 2014

WHEREAS, the Bland-Rocky Gap combined forensics team won the Virginia High School League Group 1A state meet on March 29, 2014; and

WHEREAS, comprising students from Bland High School and Rocky Gap High School, the Bland-Rocky Gap combined forensics team competed in eight categories at the meet in Harrisonburg to claim its first state title; and

WHEREAS, Bland High School junior Stephen Woolwine took first place in the extemporaneous speaking category, and junior Heather Connor took first place in the impromptu speaking category; and

WHEREAS, several members of the Bland-Rocky Gap combined forensics team also advanced to the finals, including Ashley Burton, Cole Faulkner, Brittany Hatcher, and Emily Hill; and

WHEREAS, each other member of the Bland-Rocky Gap combined forensics team—McKinley Burton, Emily Clemson, Sara Eidson, Jordan Faulkner, Hannah Goodman, Casey Lewis, Courtney Morehead, Logan Mullins, Haley Ramsey, Alexa Riggs, Lindsey Sarver, Haili Stafford, and Autumn Stover—contributed to the victory; and

WHEREAS, ably led by Tiffany Carter, a teacher at Bland Elementary School, and Cameron Burton, the librarian for Bland County Public Library, the Bland-Rocky Gap combined forensics team is the pride of the Bland County community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate of Virginia, That the Bland-Rocky Gap combined forensics team hereby be commended on winning the Virginia High School League Group 1A state meet in 2014; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare copies of this resolution for presentation to Tiffany Carter and Cameron Burton, the coaches of the Bland-Rocky Gap combined forensics team, as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's admiration for the team's talent and determination.

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