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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 243

Offered February 12, 2015

Commending the Altavista Combined School football team.

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WHEREAS, the Altavista Combined School football team won the Virginia High School League Group 1A state championship on December 13, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Altavista Combined School Colonels defeated a talented team from Essex High School 22 - 20; the game, which was held at Salem Stadium, marks the Colonels' second consecutive state championship; and

WHEREAS, the Altavista Colonels were undefeated in 2014 and finished the year with a 15 - 0 record; the victory gives Altavista Combined School its third state championship in six years; and

WHEREAS, Altavista Colonels quarterback Juan Thornhill scored two of the team's three touchdowns; he ran for a four-yard touchdown in the first quarter and also had a 40-yard run into the end zone in the fourth quarter; and

WHEREAS, the Altavista Colonels' remaining touchdown came when Demetrius Johnson caught a 24-yard touchdown pass from quarterback Juan Thornhill shortly before halftime; and

WHEREAS, many people contributed to the Altavista Colonels' undefeated season, including the hardworking staff, which is led by head football coach Mike Scharnus; the examples set by the team's captains and graduating seniors also inspired the players to do their best; and

WHEREAS, the enthusiastic support of the entire Altavista Combined School community helped spur the Colonels to achieve the team's first perfect season since 1969; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That the Altavista Combined School football team hereby be commended for winning the 2014 Virginia High School League Group 1A state championship; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Mike Scharnus, head coach of the Altavista Combined School football team, as an expression of the House of Delegates' congratulations and admiration for the team's stellar accomplishments and undefeated season.

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