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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 239

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Commending the Monacan High School girls' basketball team.

Patrons—Robinson, Adams, D.M., Cox, Ingram and Ware; Senators: Chase, Dance and Sturtevant

WHEREAS, the Monacan High School girls' basketball team of Chesterfield County secured its third straight state title, winning the Virginia High School League Group 4A championship game on March 10, 2017, at the Siegel Center in Richmond; and

WHEREAS, the victory in the state championship game was the final chapter in a remarkable season for the Monacan High School Chiefs, who regularly dominated opponents and finished the year with an unblemished 30 - 0 record for the first time in the program's history; and

WHEREAS, in the thrilling state final, the Monacan Chiefs defeated the King's Fork High School Bulldogs 60 - 59 to claim the championship; and

WHEREAS, the Monacan High School girls' basketball team held a four-point lead at halftime, but later trailed by 11 points before mounting a fourth quarter comeback; after a frantic final two minutes that included five lead changes, the Monacan Chiefs scored the winning basket with just 15 seconds left in the game; and

WHEREAS, guard Megan Walker led the Monacan Chiefs with 35 points and 11 rebounds in the state final; the standout senior was also selected as the 2016 - 2017 Gatorade National Girls Basketball Player of the Year; and

WHEREAS, the championship victory clinched the Monacan Chiefs' third straight state title; over the last three seasons, the team has an outstanding 83 - 5 record; and

WHEREAS, the Monacan High School girls' basketball team's undefeated season is a testament to the talent and dedication of all its student-athletes, the guidance of its coaches and staff, and the enthusiastic support of friends, family, and the entire Monacan High School community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Monacan High School girls' basketball team on winning the Virginia High School League Group 4A state championship; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Larry Starr, head coach of the Monacan High School girls' basketball team, as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the team's exceptional achievements.

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