

2018 SESSION

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 263

Commending the Rock Ridge High School boys' tennis team.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 16, 2018
Agreed to by the Senate, February 22, 2018

WHEREAS, the Rock Ridge High School boys' tennis team of Ashburn won the Virginia High School League Class 4A state championship on June 10, 2017, securing the program's first state title; and

WHEREAS, the state championship win marked the end of a sparkling season for the Rock Ridge High School Phoenix, who finished the year with an unblemished 23 - 0 record; and

WHEREAS, in the state final in Salem, the Rock Ridge Phoenix defeated the John Handley High School Judges 5 - 2 to clinch the title; the Phoenix had previously beaten the Judges in the 4A West Region championship; and

WHEREAS, the Rock Ridge Phoenix claimed an early advantage in the state championship matchup, going up 4 - 2 in singles play with victories from Everett Chou, Shawn Keswani, Ethan McFerren, and Arjit Sarkar; and

WHEREAS, the Rock Ridge Phoenix went on to complete their championship victory after besting the John Handley Judges in the doubles round; and

WHEREAS, the tennis championship was the first state athletics title of any kind for Rock Ridge High School, which only opened in 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Rock Ridge High School boys' tennis team's state championship victory is a testament to the skill and dedication of all its student-athletes, the excellent guidance of its coaches and staff, and the enthusiastic support of family, friends, and the entire Rock Ridge High School community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Rock Ridge High School boys' tennis team on winning the 2017 Virginia High School League Class 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 Chris Schamus, head coach of the Rock Ridge High School boys' tennis team, as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the team's spectacular undefeated season and best wishes for continued success.

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