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Offered March 1, 2018

Commending the W.T. Woodson High School boys' basketball team.

Patrons—Filler-Corn, Bulova and Mullin; Senator: Marsden

WHEREAS, the W.T. Woodson High School boys' basketball team of Fairfax County won the Virginia High School League Group 6A championship on March 11, 2017, securing the program's first state title; and

WHEREAS, in their maiden appearance in the state championship game, the W.T. Woodson High School Cavaliers relied on crisp passing, a robust defense, and clinical shooting to defeat the C.D. Hylton High School Bulldogs 55 - 50 and finish the season with a 26 - 6 record; and

WHEREAS, the title win was a breakthrough for the W.T. Woodson High School boys' basketball team, which had advanced to the state semifinal game four times in the previous five years; and

WHEREAS, the two teams traded the lead several times during the hard-fought game, but the W.T. Woodson Cavaliers triumphed in overtime thanks in part to clutch free throw shooting from senior guard Jason Aigner, who hit 11 of 11 from the foul line and finished the game with 26 points; and

WHEREAS, the W.T. Woodson High School boys' basketball team's championship victory is a tribute to the talent and tenacity of all the athletes, the excellent guidance of the coaches and staff, and the enthusiastic support of family members, fellow students, and the entire W.T. Woodson High School community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the W.T. Woodson High School boys' basketball team hereby be commended for winning the 2017 Virginia High School League Group 6A championship; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Doug Craig, head coach of the W.T. Woodson High School boys' basketball team, as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the team's remarkable season.