2018 SESSION

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 63

Commending the Madison County High School softball team.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, January 12, 2018 Agreed to by the Senate, January 18, 2018

WHEREAS, the Madison County High School softball team won the Virginia High School League Group 2A championship on June 10, 2017, at Radford University, claiming its first state title in over 20 years; and

WHEREAS, the state championship victory was a fitting end to a stellar season for the Madison County High School Mountaineers, who relied on powerful hitting and superb pitching to finish the year with a 26 - 1 record, winning both the conference and region crowns; and

WHEREAS, in the state final, the Madison County Mountaineers overcame the Richlands High School Blue Tornadoes 4 - 0, securing the program's first championship since 1995; and

WHEREAS, the Madison County Mountaineers claimed an early advantage in the first inning with a two-run single from power-hitter senior Kara Price; in the second inning, the team added to their lead with an RBI double from leadoff batter Meadow Anderson; and

WHEREAS, sophomore pitcher Logyn Estes put in a dominant performance on the mound to maintain the Madison County Mountaineers' lead, recording seven strikeouts and allowing no walks and just three hits; in the sixth inning, Hannah Johnson sealed the victory with a run-scoring single; and

WHEREAS, the Madison County Mountaineers' victory is made all the more impressive by the team's young roster; of the team's 16 players, 11 are freshmen or sophomores; and

WHEREAS, the Madison County High School softball team's state title win is a testament to the hard work and skill of its student-athletes, the dedication of its coaches and staff, and the support of family, friends, and the entire Madison County High School community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Madison County High School softball team on winning the Virginia High School League Group 2A state championship; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Jesse Yowell, head coach of the Madison County High School softball team, as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the team's accomplishments and best wishes for the future.