

## 2019 SESSION

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### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 880

*Commending the Rock Ridge High School softball team.*

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 18, 2019  
Agreed to by the Senate, February 21, 2019

WHEREAS, in 2018, the Rock Ridge High School softball team, coached by Phil Cox, worked with American Legion Post 2001 and Luck Stone Corporation to install a flagpole at the team's field, allowing the players to honor the American flag during the playing of the National Anthem before games; and

WHEREAS, Phil Cox, a teacher and patriotic citizen, began his mission to provide a flagpole for the Rock Ridge High School softball team by contacting American Legion Post 2001 in Ashburn to build support for the project; and

WHEREAS, the Rock Ridge High School softball team raised awareness among the members of the Brambleton community and worked to change Loudoun County Public School policies and raise money for the purchase and installation of a flagpole; and

WHEREAS, the Rock Ridge High School softball team worked with Luck Stone Corporation, which donated the rock that bears a commemorative plaque near the flagpole; and

WHEREAS, the Rock Ridge High School softball team held a special ceremony on May 12, 2018, with a dedication led by Chuck Loomis, post commander of American Legion Post 2001, and a benediction by post chaplain Bob O'Suche, with veterans of World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War proudly in attendance; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Rock Ridge High School softball team for working with other members of the community to install a flagpole at the team's field; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Phil Cox, head coach of the Rock Ridge High School softball team, as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the team's patriotism and the hard work of all the community members involved in the project.

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