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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 441

Offered March 2, 2020

Commending the Hopewell Dixie Youth Baseball Majors All-Star team.

Patrons—Coyner; Senator: Morrissey

WHEREAS, the Hopewell Dixie Youth Baseball Majors All-Star team, a talented group of 11-year-old and 12-year-old athletes, won the Dixie Youth Baseball Division II Majors World Series in Lumberton, North Carolina, on July 31, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Hopewell Dixie Youth Baseball Majors All-Stars won the Dixie Youth Baseball District 9 Championship on June 28, 2019, in Hopewell and the Dixie Youth Baseball Virginia State Championship, the first in Hopewell's history, on July 10, 2019, in Lunenburg on the team's march to the Dixie Youth Baseball Division II Majors World Series; and

WHEREAS, at the national tournament, the Hopewell Dixie Youth Baseball Majors All-Stars defeated strong teams from Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Georgia to earn the city's first Dixie Youth Baseball World Series Championship; and

WHEREAS, trailing the team from Mississippi by one run in the last inning of the championship game, the Hopewell Dixie Youth Baseball Majors All-Stars mounted an outstanding six-run comeback, putting the game out of reach and sealing the title; and

WHEREAS, the Hopewell Dixie Youth Baseball Majors All-Stars are Anthony Clark, Christian Edwards, Ryder Hazlitt, Camden Hunt, Jake Irby, Luke Kuhns, Colsen McComber, Ethan McComber, Brian Moore, Demetrius Simms, Xavier Taylor, and Tavin Tucker, coached by Clint Gorkiewicz, Ricky Irby, and Joe Kuhns; and

WHEREAS, in admiration for the remarkable way in which they represented their hometown, the Hopewell Dixie Youth Baseball Majors All-Stars received keys to the city from the City of Hopewell; and

WHEREAS, the accomplishments of the Hopewell Dixie Youth Baseball Majors All-Stars are the result of the hard work, dedication, and sportsmanship of the young athletes, as well as the steadfast commitment and support of their coaches, parents, and the entire Hopewell community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Hopewell Dixie Youth Baseball Majors All-Star team for winning the 2019 Dixie Youth Baseball Division II Majors World Series; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Hopewell Dixie Youth Baseball Majors All-Star team as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the team's achievement and best wishes for the future.

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