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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 47

Offered January 28, 2020

Commending the Lake Taylor High School football team.

Patrons—Lindsey, Cole, J.G., Cole, M.L., Delaney, Jenkins, McQuinn, Rasoul and Ware

WHEREAS, the Lake Taylor High School football team of Norfolk won the Virginia High School League Class 4 State Championship on December 14, 2019, at Liberty University's Williams Stadium; and

WHEREAS, the Lake Taylor High School Titans defeated the Tuscarora High School Huskies of Leesburg by a score of 34-14, earning the program's first state title since 2014; and

WHEREAS, after a tough five-point loss to the Woodgrove High School Wolverines of Purcellville in last year's state championship, the Lake Taylor High School Titans trained all season for a chance at redemption; and

WHEREAS, the Lake Taylor Titans put up the game's first three touchdowns and never looked back; Jeff Foster connected with Darious Speight for three of the team's five touchdowns, including an impressive 31-yard pass in the second half, while Malik Newton posted the other two touchdowns on a reception and a three-yard run; and

WHEREAS, the Lake Taylor Titans' defense put forth a strong performance, holding the Tuscarora Huskies to only one touchdown in each half and preventing the team from ever getting back into the game: and

WHEREAS, the accomplishment of the Lake Taylor Titans is the result of the hard work and dedication of the student-athletes, the leadership and guidance of their coaches and teachers, and the unwavering support of the entire Lake Taylor High School community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That the Lake Taylor High School football team hereby be commended for winning the 2019 Virginia High School League Class 4 State Championship; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Lake Taylor High School football team as an expression of the House of Delegates' heartfelt admiration for the team's achievement and best wishes for the future.