## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 37**

Commending the Amherst High School softball team.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, January 17, 2022 Agreed to by the Senate, January 20, 2022

WHEREAS, the Amherst High School softball team won the Virginia High School League Class 4 state championship on June 26, 2021, at Hanover High School in Mechanicsville; and

WHEREAS, the Amherst High School Lancers defeated the Hanover High School Hawks by a score of 2-0 to finish the season with a 15-2 record and capture the program's first state championship title; and

WHEREAS, with the game scoreless going into the eighth inning, the Amherst Lancers capitalized on a series of defensive miscues to plate two runs and then held the Hanover Hawks in the bottom half of the inning to secure the win; and

WHEREAS, the Amherst Lancers were carried to victory by exceptional defensive plays across the diamond and by a stellar performance from starting pitcher Dylan McNerney, who had 10 strikeouts; and

WHEREAS, with only two graduating seniors on this year's team, the Amherst Lancers are poised to continue their streak of dominance into the next season and beyond; and

WHEREAS, the accomplishments of the Amherst Lancers are 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 Amherst High School community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Amherst High School softball team for winning the 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 Samantha Thacker, head coach of the Amherst High School softball team, as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the team's achievement.