23104435D HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 617

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Commending the Highland Springs High School football team.

Patrons—Bagby, McQuinn and Clark; Senator: McClellan

WHEREAS, the Highland Springs High School football team won the Virginia High School League Class 5 state championship in December 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Highland Springs High School Springers defeated the Maury High School Commodores by a score of 33-19; and

WHEREAS, in the first quarter, the Highland Springs Springers returned an interception to take an early 6-0 lead and dominated the pace of the game from there; and

WHEREAS, heading into the state final, the Highland Springs Springers were ranked 75th in the nation on the High School Football America 300 rankings by NFL Play Football; and

WHEREAS, the 2022 championship victory, which capped off a perfect 15-0 season, was the fifth state title in eight years for the Highland Springs Springers; and

WHEREAS, the successful season was a tribute to the skill and hard work of all the student-athletes, the leadership and guidance of coaches and staff, and the passionate support of the entire Highland Springs High School community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Highland Springs High School football team on winning the Virginia High School League Class 5 state championship; and, be it

RESOLVED FÜRTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Loren Johnson, head coach of the Highland Springs High School football team, as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the team's achievements and best wishes for the future.