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### HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 304

Offered February 10, 2023

*Commending the Central High School football team.*

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WHEREAS, the Central High School football team of Woodstock won the Virginia High School League Region 2B championship on November 25, 2022, in Strasburg; and

WHEREAS, the Central High School Falcons defeated the Strasburg High School Rams by a score of 34-7 to bring home the program's second consecutive regional title after reaching that milestone for the first time in program history the previous season; and

WHEREAS, the Central Falcons finished the 2022 season with an impressive 12-3 record and became the first football team in school history to appear in the state championship after defeating the Poquoson High School Bull Islanders by a score of 37-10 in the state semifinal on December 3, 2022; and

WHEREAS, going into the state championship game, the Central Falcons' offense was averaging more than 285 yards and nearly 33 points per game, while its defense, under the guidance of defensive coordinator Rowdy Hoover, was allowing only 11.7 points per game; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of his exemplary leadership, Central Falcons head coach Mike Yew was named the Virginia High School League (VHSL) Region 2B Coach of the Year in 2022; and

WHEREAS, several members of the Central Falcons were selected for VHSL Class 2 all-state honors, including Gaige Lewis, Luc Retrosi, Cully Neese, Nathan Lopez, Tyler Forbes, Ben Walters, and James Bland; and

WHEREAS, the success of the Central Falcons 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 families, volunteers, and supporters that comprise the Central High School community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That the Central High School football team hereby be commended for reaching the 2022 Virginia High School League Class 2 state championship game; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Mike Yew, head coach of the Central High School football team, as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for the team's achievements.

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