

1995 SESSION

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 433

Commending the Spotsylvania High School football team.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, January 20, 1995

Agreed to by the Senate, January 26, 1995

WHEREAS, the Spotsylvania High School football team completed a remarkable 1994 season by winning the Virginia High School League, Group AA, Division 4 championship; and

WHEREAS, the Knights from Spotsylvania High School, who finished fourth in the Battlefield District with three losses during the regular season and barely made the field for the playoffs, were given little chance to advance to the championship; and

WHEREAS, Head Coach Tim Coleman's Knights defied conventional wisdom by defeating powerful Charlottesville High School in the District II title game; and

WHEREAS, the Knights then defeated Nansemond River High School in the state semifinal game to set up a title game against heavily favored and previously undefeated Amherst County High School; and

WHEREAS, dominant in all phases of the game, Spotsylvania relied on its excellent defense, outstanding special teams play, and a surprisingly efficient passing attack to shut out the Lancers from Amherst County, 26-0; and

WHEREAS, in winning their second state title in four years, the Knights overcame a shaky start and reveled in their unaccustomed role of underdog in the playoffs to convincingly defeat highly regarded opponents, a tribute to fine coaching, brilliant teamwork, and a never-say-die spirit; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly salute the Knights of Spotsylvania High School on their well-earned and immensely satisfying state championship; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Head Coach Tim Coleman in honor of the championship performance of the 1994 Spotsylvania High School football team.

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