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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 387

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Commending the Shenandoah University women's basketball team.

Patrons—Potts, Barry, Benedetti, Bolling, Chichester, Colgan, Couric, Earley, Edwards, Gartlan, Hanger, Hawkins, Holland, Houck, Howell, Lambert, Lucas, Marsh, Martin, Marye, Maxwell, Miller, K.G., Miller, Y.B., Newman, Norment, Quayle, Reasor, Reynolds, Saslaw, Schrock, Stolle, Stosch, Ticer, Trumbo, Waddell, Walker, Wampler, Whipple, Williams and Woods; Delegates: Guest, McDonnell, Sherwood and Way

Consent to introduce

WHEREAS, the women's basketball team from Shenandoah University, in Winchester, completed the 1995-96 basketball season in a triumphant fashion, winning the Dixie Conference tournament; and

WHEREAS, after completing a regular season marked by a four-game winning streak and several close losses to larger, NCAA Division II schools, the Division III Hornets from Shenandoah University entered the Dixie Conference tournament as decided underdogs; and

WHEREAS, in the quarter-finals, the Hornets upended the second-seeded Panthers from Ferrum College, 69-65, to set the tone for the tournament; and

WHEREAS, facing Averett College in the semi-finals, a team they had defeated at the end of the regular season, the Shenandoah Hornets took an exciting one-point victory to advance to the title game; and

WHEREAS, facing top-seeded Christopher Newport in the finals, the Hornets avenged two earlier losses to the Captains and gained their first-ever victory over Christopher Newport, 58-55; and

WHEREAS, in capturing the school's first Dixie Conference championship, the Hornets from Shenandoah University also became the first team to qualify for the NCAA Division III national tournament; and

WHEREAS, the success of the Shenandoah University women's basketball team is a tribute to the coaching of Kathy Orsini, the talent, teamwork, and perseverance of the players, and the support of the students and faculty of Shenandoah University; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Shenandoah University women's basketball team on the successful conclusion of its 1995-96 campaign; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Coach Kathy Orsini in honor of the Hornets' first Dixie Conference championship.

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