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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 356

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Commending the Parry McCluer High School softball team.

Patrons—Deeds; Delegate: Cline

WHEREAS, the Parry McCluer High School softball team of Buena Vista capped an outstanding 2016 season by winning the Virginia High School League Group 1A state championship for the second year in a row; and

WHEREAS, the Parry McCluer High School Fighting Blues defeated the Mathews High School Blue Devils 8-0 at Radford University on June 11, 2016, earning their 20th consecutive victory and a 22-4 season record; and

WHEREAS, the Fighting Blues reached the championship game by defeating Essex High School 3-0 in the 1A West regional tournament, after first winning the Conference 45 title; and

WHEREAS, pitcher Kelsi Martin pitched a complete game three-hitter in the championship, striking out three and allowing no walks, and hit a three-run over-the-fence home run in the fifth inning; and

WHEREAS, Kelsi Martin's pitching effort was aided on the field by the strong offense and defense of her Fighting Blues teammates and off the field by the support and cheers of Parry McCluer's dedicated fans; and

WHEREAS, Fighting Blues Head Coach Troy Clark led a tremendous team effort and was named Virginia High School League Group 1A Coach of the Year after winning back-to-back state titles in his first two years as head coach; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Parry McCluer High School softball team on winning the Virginia High School League Group 1A state championship in 2016; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Troy Clark, head coach of the Parry McCluer High School softball team, as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the team's achievement, hard work, and dedication.

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