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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 185

Offered January 31, 2018

*Commending the Westfield High School football team.*

Patrons—Hugo and Delaney

WHEREAS, the Westfield High School football team of Chantilly won the Virginia High School League Class 6 state championship on December 10, 2017, at Hampton University's Armstrong Stadium, claiming its third straight state title; and

WHEREAS, armed with a first-rate running and passing game and one of the toughest defenses in the Commonwealth, the Westfield High School Bulldogs finished the year with an unblemished 15 - 0 record, extending their multi-season winning streak to 26 games in a row; and

WHEREAS, in the teams' third straight meeting in the state final, the Westfield Bulldogs triumphed over the Oscar Smith High School Tigers 28 - 21 to secure the championship; and

WHEREAS, the Oscar Smith Tigers scored early to take a 7 - 0 lead, but the Westfield Bulldogs struck back with two touchdown passes from sophomore quarterback Noah Kim to pull ahead 14 - 7 by the half; and

WHEREAS, the Westfield Bulldogs extended their lead to 20 - 7 early in the third quarter thanks to a fantastic 44-yard touchdown sprint from junior tailback Eugene Asante, who finished the game with 109 rushing yards; and

WHEREAS, the Westfield Bulldogs then gave up two touchdowns to trail 20 - 21, but they regained their advantage late in the third quarter with a spectacular 89-yard touchdown pass from Noah Kim to Gavin Kiley; and

WHEREAS, in a wild fourth quarter, the Westfield Bulldogs' defense intercepted the Oscar Smith Tigers twice to maintain the Bulldogs' lead and seal the championship victory; and

WHEREAS, the Westfield High School football team's third straight championship win is a testament to the skill and dedication of its hardworking student-athletes, the excellent guidance of its coaches and staff, and the passionate support of family members, fans, and the entire Westfield High School community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Westfield High School football team on winning the Virginia High School League Class 6 state championship; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Kyle Simmons, head coach of the Westfield High School football team, as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the team's remarkable undefeated season.

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