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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 238

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Commending the Westfield High School field hockey team.

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WHEREAS, the Westfield High School field hockey team of Chantilly won the Virginia High School League Class 6 state final on November 11, 2017, claiming its second state title; and

WHEREAS, the Westfield High School Bulldogs' championship win was the culmination of an undefeated 24 - 0 season, the first in the program's history; and

WHEREAS, in a tightly contested final, the Westfield High School field hockey team defeated the First Colonial High School Patriots 2 - 1; and

WHEREAS, senior midfielder Mackenzie Karl opened the scoring for the Westfield High School Bulldogs in the first half with a strike off a penalty corner; the team then surrendered a point before senior defender Delaney Golian put away the championship-winning shot off a rebound early in the second half; and

WHEREAS, throughout their sparkling season, the Westfield High School field hockey team played with energy and precision; senior Mackenzie Karl scored in every game, and the defense, led by senior goalkeeper Payton Moore, allowed just seven goals all season; and

WHEREAS, the Westfield High School field hockey team's state title win is a tribute to the skill and hard work of its players, the leadership and commitment of its coaches and staff, and the spirited support of fans, family members, 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 field hockey team on winning the 2017 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 Starr Karl, coach of the Westfield High School field hockey team, as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the team's impressive accomplishments.