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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 249

Offered February 10, 2018

Commending the Briar Woods High School cheerleading team.

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WHEREAS, the Briar Woods High School cheerleading team of Ashburn won the Virginia High School League Class 5A state competition cheer championship on November 4, 2017, claiming its second state title in three years and its sixth state championship overall; and

WHEREAS, the Briar Woods High School Falcons' state title capped off a fantastic year that saw the team capture the Region 5A title on October 28, 2017; and

WHEREAS, in the eight-team state championship staged at the Siegel Center in Richmond, the Briar Woods Falcons performed a challenging routine of stunts, pyramids, and tumbling that required great endurance and pinpoint execution; and

WHEREAS, the Briar Woods Falcons nailed their difficult routine to earn a score of 264 points, besting several talented teams and defeating the runner-up Tuscarora High School Huskies by 12.5 points; and

WHEREAS, the Briar Woods Falcons' championship was their sixth state cheerleading title overall; the team previously won four straight state championships between 2009 and 2012; and

WHEREAS, the Briar Woods High School cheerleading team's victory is a testament to the hard work and dedication of its talented student-athletes, the excellent guidance of its coaches and staff, and the passionate support of friends, family members, and the entire Briar Woods High School community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Briar Woods High School cheerleading team on winning the 2017 Virginia High School League Class 5A state competition cheer championship; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Lucia Curry, head coach of the Briar Woods High School cheerleading team, as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the team's spectacular season.