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## **HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 159**

Offered March 6, 2018

Commending the Briar Woods High School baseball team.

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WHEREAS, the Briar Woods High School baseball team claimed the program's first state title, winning the Virginia High School League Group 5A state championship in 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Briar Woods High School Falcons defeated the Halifax High School Comets by a score of 5 - 4 in a dramatic game that lasted 14 innings; and

WHEREAS, the Briar Woods Falcons came back from a 4 - 2 deficit to tie the game in the seventh inning; it took another seven innings for the team to break the deadlock, with Jake Rayfield scoring the game-winner off of a single up the middle from Sean Clark; and

WHEREAS, Michael Ludowig, Jake Kleifges, and Wilson Ayers of the Briar Woods Falcons were selected as first-team All-State players by the Virginia High School League and the Virginia High School Coaches Association; and

WHEREAS, finishing the season with a 20 - 7 record, the Briar Woods Falcons also won the program's first regional title on the way to the state final; and

WHEREAS, the Briar Woods Falcons' thrilling season is a testament to the skill and hard work of all the student-athletes, the leadership and guidance of coaches and staff, and the enthusiastic support of the entire Briar Woods High School community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That the Briar Woods High School baseball team hereby be commended on winning the Virginia High School League Group 5A state championship in 2017; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Briar Woods High School baseball team as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for the team's achievements and best wishes for the future.