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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 168

Offered January 27, 2020

Commending the Loudoun South Little League baseball team.

Patrons—Delaney, Cole, M.L., Jenkins, Murphy, Rasoul, Subramanyam and Ware; Senators: Bell, Boysko and Howell

WHEREAS, the Loudoun South Little League baseball team from South Riding won the 2019 Southeast Regional Little League Tournament, becoming the first team in 25 years to represent the Commonwealth at the Little League World Series; and

WHEREAS, led by a dominant pitching performance from Justin Lee and a grand slam by Chase Obstgarten, the Loudoun South team marched to a commanding 12-2 victory over Peachtree City, Georgia, punching their ticket to Williamsport, Pennsylvania, home of the Little League World Series; and

WHEREAS, the Loudoun South team went undefeated in the Southeast Regional Little League Tournament, tallying impressive victories against teams from North Carolina and South Carolina before facing the Peachtree City team in both the semifinal and the final; and

WHEREAS, the Little League World Series is the premier international showcase of youth baseball, with many players competing in the tournament going on to college and Major League Baseball careers; and

WHEREAS, the Loudoun South team was one of 16 teams from around the world to compete at the Little League World Series, a feat that had not been accomplished by a team from the Commonwealth since 1994; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2019 season, the Loudoun South players were enthusiastically supported by their families, fellow teammates, and the entire South Riding community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Loudoun South Little League baseball team for winning the 2019 Southeast Regional Little League Tournament and representing the Commonwealth at the 2019 Little League World Series; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Alan Bowden, manager of the Loudoun South Little League baseball team, as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the team's remarkable achievements and best wishes for the future.