HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 86

Commending the Riverheads High School football team.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 24, 2020

WHEREAS, the Riverheads High School football team of Augusta County claimed its fourth consecutive state title with a victory in the Virginia High School League Class 1 State Championship;

WHEREAS, the Riverheads High School Gladiators defeated the Galax High School Maroon Tide by a score of 31-24 in what turned out to be their closest game of the season; and

WHEREAS, the Galax Maroon Tide took an early lead, but the Riverheads Gladiators responded with 17 points in the second quarter; the Maroon Tide answered after halftime, but the Gladiators stayed the course and ultimately won by a one-touchdown margin; and

WHEREAS, junior Zac Smiley led the attack for Riverheads High School, rushing for 135 yards and

two touchdowns on 17 carries and returning an interception for a third score; and WHEREAS, the Riverheads Gladiators' State Championship win capped off a perfect 15-0 season; and

WHEREAS, the victory was a testament to the skill and hard work of all the student-athletes, the leadership and guidance of coaches and staff, and the enduring support of the entire Riverheads High School community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That the Riverheads High School football team hereby be commended on winning the Virginia High School League Class 1 State Championship; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Robert Casto, head coach of the Riverheads High School football team, as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for the team's achievements and best wishes for the future.