SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 126

Commending the Riverheads High School football team.

Agreed to by the Senate, February 20, 2020 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; and

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 Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Riverheads High School football team on winning the Virginia High School League Class 1 state championship; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate 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 General Assembly's admiration for the team's achievements and best wishes for the future.