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20 21 **SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 102**

Offered January 24, 2023

Commending the Graham High School football team.

Patron—Hackworth

WHEREAS, the Graham High School football team of Bluefield won the Virginia High School League Class 2 state championship on December 10, 2022, at Salem Stadium; and

WHEREAS, the Graham High School G-Men defeated the Central High School Falcons of Woodstock by a score of 34-7 to bring home the fifth state title in program history and the second under the leadership of head coach Tony Palmer; and

WHEREAS, the Graham G-Men's victory capped an impressive undefeated season, with the team going 15-0 in competition; and

WHEREAS, to celebrate their accomplishment, the Graham G-Men served as grand marshals at the Bluefield Christmas parade on December 17, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the success of the Graham G-Men is the result of the hard work and dedication of the student-athletes, the leadership and guidance of their coaches and teachers, and the unwavering support of their families and the entire Graham High School community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate of Virginia, That the Graham High School football team hereby be commended for winning the 2022 Virginia High School League Class 2 state championship; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Tony Palmer, head coach of the Graham High School football team, as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's admiration for the team's achievements and best wishes for the future.