

1995 SESSION

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 422

Commending the James Madison University field hockey team.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, January 13, 1995

Agreed to by the Senate, January 19, 1995

WHEREAS, on November 20, 1994, the James Madison University field hockey team won the NCAA Division I National Championship, the first NCAA championship in the university's history; and

WHEREAS, the Dukes from James Madison won the title by defeating a team from the University of North Carolina that had beaten Madison handily only a month earlier; and

WHEREAS, led by their four All-Tournament players and relying on an extremely talented defense, the Dukes defeated Northwestern University, 1-0, in the semifinals to gain a rematch with North Carolina in the championship game; and

WHEREAS, James Madison's thrilling 2-1 victory in the title game, which was decided in the third overtime period, capped a triumphant season in which the Dukes won 20 of 24 games; and

WHEREAS, led by the inspired coaching of Christy Morgan, a former member of the U.S. Olympic team, the 1994 Dukes completed a remarkable turnaround from a 6-13 record to a national championship in only two years; and

WHEREAS, the outstanding success of the James Madison University field hockey team stands as a tribute to the talent and determination of the players, the skill and dedication of the coaching staff, and the support of the James Madison community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly commend and congratulate the James Madison University field hockey team on its unprecedented victory; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Head Coach Christy Morgan in honor of the 1994 NCAA national champions, the James Madison University field hockey team.

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