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1 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 39

2 Offered January 14, 2026

3 *Commending the Marion Senior High School boys' tennis team.*4 _____
5 Patron—Hackworth6 WHEREAS, in June 2025, the Marion Senior High School boys' tennis team claimed its first-ever state
7 title with a victory in the Virginia High School League Class 2 state championship; and8 WHEREAS, in their first state final appearance since 1987, the Marion Senior High School Scarlet
9 Hurricanes defeated the Bruton High School Panthers in a five-hour, nine-match thriller; and10 WHEREAS, Brady White, Xander Gates, Colton Branson, and Slate Parnell of the Marion Scarlet
11 Hurricanes won four of the team's six singles matches, but the Bruton Panthers earned crucial victories in
12 doubles play, bringing the overall score level at 4–4; and13 WHEREAS, with the state crown on the line, Caden Burchett and Brady White closed out their doubles
14 match 6–3 and 6–4 to take the win; and15 WHEREAS, Marion Senior High School also made history by becoming the only the third school to win
16 both boys' and girls' Class 2 state championships in the same year; and17 WHEREAS, the historic season was a tribute to the skill and determination of all the student-athletes, the
18 leadership and guidance of coaches and staff, and the passionate support of family members, friends, and the
19 entire Marion Senior High School community; now, therefore, be it20 RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby
21 commend the Marion Senior High School boys' tennis team on winning the Virginia High School League
22 Class 2 state championship; and, be it23 RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to
24 the Marion Senior High School boys' tennis team as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for
25 the team's athletic achievements and best wishes for the future.

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