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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 455

Offered February 27, 2012

Commending the Christiansburg High School wrestling team.

Patrons—Habeeb, Rush and Yost; Senators: Edwards and Smith

WHEREAS, by winning six state finals competition matches at the 2012 Virginia High School League Group AA wrestling championships, the grapplers from Christiansburg High School extended their wrestling dynasty, winning the school's 11th straight wrestling title; and

WHEREAS, the talented, motivated, and hardworking Blue Demons, who are ranked 13th in the nation by *Amateur Wrestling News*, scored 205 points to runner-up Brookville High School's 123.5 points; seven members of the team competed in the final matches; and

WHEREAS, individual champions from Christiansburg High School were Coy Ozias, 106-lb. weight class; J.R. Wert, 120-lb. weight class; Joey Dance, 132-lb. weight class; Dallas Smith, 138-lb. weight class; Zach Epperly, 160-lb. weight class; and Tyler Miles, 170-lb. weight class; state runner-up in the 220-lb. weight class, Brandon Taylor, drove his match into overtime; and

WHEREAS, Christiansburg High School head wrestling coach Daryl Weber attributed his team's win to the players' daily efforts in practice, their discipline, and their character, and he also complimented the team for refusing to let the season's ups and downs demoralize them; and

WHEREAS, Coach Weber and his staff encouraged the Blue Demons to be consistent and to be prepared, rather than focusing on wins and losses; and

WHEREAS, the 2012 state champions from Christiansburg High School were proud to add another trophy to the school's display case, and the wrestlers will remain dedicated to their sport throughout the rest of the year as they prepare for the 2013 season; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Christiansburg High School wrestling team for winning the 2012 Virginia High School League Group AA wrestling championship; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Daryl Weber, head coach of the Christiansburg High School wrestling team, as an expression of the General Assembly's congratulations for an outstanding season.

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