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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 246

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Commending the Petersburg High School Crimson Wave boys basketball team.

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WHEREAS, on February 27, 2012, jubilant members of the Petersburg High School Crimson Wave boys basketball team celebrated their 76-68 victory over the Henrico High School Warriors to claim the Group AAA Central Regional championship title; and

WHEREAS, with its 10th regional win, the Petersburg High School Crimson Wave is the Central

Region's premier boys basketball program; and

WHEREAS, the Crimson Wave has won more regional basketball titles than all of the public high schools in Chesterfield, Henrico, Hanover, Dinwiddie, and Prince George Counties combined, and the team accomplished its spectacular win before a near sellout crowd; and

WHEREAS, the Crimson Wave was led on the court by Frank Mason and Marcus Hoosier, who have led the team all season; Frank Mason, named Regional Player of the Year, scored 27 points and pulled down 17 rebounds, and Marcus Hoosier added 22 points; and

WHEREAS, to the cheers of thrilled fans, Frank Mason completed a three-point play that sealed Petersburg's victory; and

WHEREAS, Crimson Wave team members worked hard, contested every shot, and played aggressively to fend off the Henrico Warriors' quick scores and incredible speed; and

WHEREAS, less than five months ago new boys basketball coach Rick Hite was introduced to the Petersburg community, who hoped he would continue the school's long hoops tradition; the community's hopes were realized when Coach Hite was presented the silver regional championship trophy draped with a net; and

WHEREAS, the entire Petersburg community is proud of the young men of the Crimson Wave and of coach Rick Hite for their exceptional achievements and 2012 Central Region championship; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Petersburg High School Crimson Wave boys basketball team on its outstanding 2011-2012 season; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Rick Hite, coach of the Petersburg High School Crimson Wave boys basketball team, requesting that he further disseminate copies of this resolution to the assistant coaches and members of the team in order that they may be apprised of the General Assembly's admiration for the team's championship performance.