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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 370

Offered February 6, 2017

Commending James Baron.

Patron—Habeeb

WHEREAS, James Baron, a junior at Hidden Valley High School in Roanoke County, made history in 2016 as the school's first individual state champion in boys' tennis; and

WHEREAS, James Baron defeated Blacksburg High School's Matty Ducker at the Virginia High School League Group 3A state singles final at Liberty University; it was the seventh time the pair of rivals had met in 2016; and

WHEREAS, James Baron took an early 5 - 2 lead in the first set and weathered a comeback by Matty Ducker to win 7 - 5; and

WHEREAS, James Baron engineered his own comeback in the tense second set to overcome a two-point deficit and triumph 6 - 4; and

WHEREAS, demonstrating his discipline and skill, James Baron used groundstrokes and big hits early in the match to keep his opponent off balance, and he effectively changed strategies to slow the pace of play later in the match; and

WHEREAS, James Baron later helped lead the Hidden Valley High School Titans to a state tennis championship at the Virginia High School League Group 3A team finals; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That James Baron hereby be commended on winning the Virginia High School League Group 3A state title in singles tennis; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to James Baron as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for his outstanding athletic achievements and best wishes for the future.

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