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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 332

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3 *Commending David Verburg.* **4**

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5 WHEREAS, David Verburg of Lynchburg proudly represented the United States and the
7 Commonwealth at the Games of the XXXI Olympiad in Rio de Janeiro in 2016, winning a gold medal
8 as a member of the men's 4x400-meter relay team; and

9 WHEREAS, a native of Gainesville, Florida, David Verburg relocated to Lynchburg and graduated
10 from E.C. Glass High School; he earned a bachelor's degree from George Mason University, where he
11 was an 11-time National Collegiate Athletic Association All-American in track and field; and

WHEREAS, prior to the 2016 Olympic Games, David Verburg had won three gold medals in
 international competitions, including the gold medal in the 4x400-meter relay at the 2015 International
 Association of Athletics Federations World Championship in Beijing; and

WHEREAS, at the 2016 Olympic Games, David Verburg competed in the men's 400-meter race and
ran the anchor leg for the men's 4x400-meter relay team in the preliminaries but was sidelined by an
injury during the relay final; and

18 WHEREAS, David Verburg proudly cheered on his fellow members of the men's 4x400-meter relay
19 team as they dominated the opposition, topping the second-place team from Jamaica by .86 seconds; and
20 WHEREAS, throughout his track and field career and during the Olympic Games in particular, David

Verburg has enjoyed the support of his family, friends, coaches, and the members of the Lynchburg community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby
 commend David Verburg on winning a gold medal in the men's 4x400-meter relay event at the Games
 of the XXXI Olympiad; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to David Verburg as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his outstanding achievements as a member of Team USA.

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