2017 SESSION

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 409

Commending Macy Causey.

Agreed to by the Senate, February 16, 2017 Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 20, 2017

WHEREAS, Macy Causey of Yorktown was selected as a member of the 2017 NASCAR Drive for Diversity class and will compete for Rev Racing in the NASCAR Whelen All-American Series; and

WHEREAS, a 16-year-old third-generation race car driver, Macy Causey is one of only six drivers, and the only Virginian, selected for the 2017 Drive for Diversity, NASCAR's top development program geared toward multicultural and female drivers; and

WHEREAS, Macy Causey became the youngest-ever Drive for Diversity participant at age 14, and, in 2016, she competed against 16 other drivers for a spot on the Rev Racing team; and

WHEREAS, racing is a family tradition for Macy Causey; she is following in the footsteps of her grandmother, Diane Teel, the first woman to win a NASCAR-sanctioned racing event, and her father, Rette Causey, an accomplished amateur driver in the INEX Legends Racing Division; and

WHEREAS, Macy Causey began racing competitively when she was eight years old and rose to national stardom after she was the subject of a 2009 New York Times feature story; and

WHEREAS, in 2015, Macy Causey was NASCAR Virginia state rookie of the year and rookie of the year at Langley Speedway in Hampton; and

WHEREAS, Macy Causey was honored with NASCAR's Young Racer Award in 2016, and she became the youngest female to ever make the field for a late model race at Martinsville, qualifying 11th of 72 for the ValleyStar Credit Union 300; and

WHEREAS, Macy Causey is the youngest female ever to race at Langley Speedway, the same track where her grandmother made NASCAR history by winning a 30-lap Limited Sportsman Series race in 1978; and

WHEREAS, Macy Causey's racing career success thus far is a credit to her hard work, drive, and determination, but none of her achievements would be possible without the support of her family, friends, and crew members; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Macy Causey on her selection as a member of the 2017 NASCAR Drive for Diversity class and on her joining Rev Racing in the NASCAR Whelen All-American Series; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Macy Causey as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for her history-making achievements and up-and-coming late model racing career.

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