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### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 408

Offered February 28, 2018

*Commending the Appomattox County High School wrestling team.*

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WHEREAS, the Appomattox County High School wrestling team captured the Virginia High School League Region 2C championship on February 10, 2018, at James River High School; and

WHEREAS, the Appomattox County High School Raiders turned in an outstanding team performance and finished the title meet with a total of 158.5 points, 10.5 points more than the runner-up Dan River High School Wildcats; and

WHEREAS, the Appomattox County Raiders trailed the Dan River Wildcats by 4.5 points heading into the final round, but rallied from behind after Raiders grapplers Trey Martin, Josh Baldwin, and Pierce Bryant swept their matches against the Wildcats; and

WHEREAS, along with the team title, the Appomattox County Raiders ended the day with four individual regional champions: Trey Martin in the 113-pound weight class, Pierce Bryant in the 138-pound class, Everette Phelps in the 152-pound class, and Aaron Mayes in the 182-pound class; and

WHEREAS, the Appomattox County Raiders' other place winners included second-place finishers QuaDarius Baker, Cameron Jackson, and Tyler Moore; third-place finishers Josh Baldwin and Austin Robertson; and fourth-place finisher Treyvon Brown; and

WHEREAS, Appomattox County Raiders wrestlers Isaiah Horsley, Chris Wilkerson, and Keyshawn Baker also turned in gritty performances and contributed valuable points to the team title; and

WHEREAS, the Appomattox County Raiders' victory in the team competition marked the first regional wrestling championship in school history; in addition, coach Matt Wallin was named the Region 2C coach of the year; and

WHEREAS, following their strong performances in the regional championship, nine Appomattox County Raiders wrestlers qualified for the state tournament held February 16 - 17, 2018, at the Salem Civic Center; and

WHEREAS, the Appomattox County High School wrestling team's regional title is a testament to the hard work and dedication of its student-athletes, the excellent guidance of its coaches and staff, and the enthusiastic support of family members, friends, and the entire Appomattox County High School community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Appomattox County High School wrestling team on winning the 2018 Virginia High School League Region 2C championship; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Matt Wallin, head coach of the Appomattox County High School wrestling team, as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the team's spectacular season and best wishes for continued success.

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