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## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 153

Offered February 16, 2018

Commending David Scott Morris.

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WHEREAS, David Scott Morris, a respected educator who serves as director of student activities at Fluvanna County High School in Palmyra, was a recipient of the 2017 Distinguished Service Award from the National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association; and

WHEREAS, the Distinguished Service Award is presented annually to recognize National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (NIAAA) members for their length of service, special accomplishments, and contributions to interscholastic athletics at the local, state, and national levels; Scott Morris was one of 11 individuals to receive the honor in 2017; and

WHEREAS, a 1990 graduate of Radford University, Scott Morris earned a master's degree from Longwood University; he began his education career as a teacher at schools in Madison and Charlottesville, where he coached baseball, softball, basketball, and football; and

WHEREAS, Scott Morris joined the faculty of Fluvanna County High School 18 years ago as a teacher in the social studies department; since 2004, he has served as the school's director of student activities; and

WHEREAS, during Scott Morris's tenure as activities director, Fluvanna County High School has added seven new varsity athletics programs in boys' and girls' swimming, lacrosse, and soccer, as well as boys' wrestling; and

WHEREAS, in addition, Scott Morris helped open the facilities of Fluvanna County High School's new building, created a new Student-Athlete Handbook and Coaches Handbook, and oversaw the school's 26 different athletics programs; and

WHEREAS, along with his dedicated service to Fluvanna County High School, Scott Morris is an active member of the Virginia Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (VIAAA) and served as its president in 2014-2015; he also served as co-chair of its strategic plan and chair of its state conference and professional development committee; and

WHEREAS, Scott Morris is also active in the NIAAA, serving as a member of its National Faculty as well as a Virginia state delegate; and

WHEREAS, Scott Morris received the NIAAA State Award of Merit in 2015; in April 2017, he was named the VIAAA 3A/4A Athletic Director of the Year; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend David Scott Morris on being named as a 2017 recipient of the Distinguished Service Award by the National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to David Scott Morris as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his dedication to the students of Fluvanna County High School.