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Commending Justin Skule.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 167

Offered March 3, 2020

Patron—Helmer

WHEREAS, Justin Skule, a Clifton native and alumnus of Centreville High School, competed in Super Bowl LIV on February 2, 2020, with the San Francisco 49ers; and

WHEREAS, originally an ice hockey player, Justin Skule transitioned to football in high school and excelled immediately as an offensive tackle; and

WHEREAS, as captain of the Centreville High School Wildcats football team, he led his teammates to a state championship in 2013, helping the squad post nearly 4,600 rushing yards along the way; and

WHEREAS, an accomplished student-athlete both on the gridiron and in the classroom, Justin Skule earned a four-year scholarship to Vanderbilt University, where he appeared in 45 games, was the program's all-time leading rusher with 1,283 yards, and graduated with a degree in economics; and

WHEREAS, selected in the sixth round of the 2019 National Football League Draft by the San Francisco 49ers, Justin Skule immediately made an impact on his new team, starting in eight games and playing in all but one of the regular season match-ups; and

WHEREAS, with the San Francisco 49ers advancing to Super Bowl LIV, Justin Skule stood at a pinnacle of sports that most athletes will only dream of reaching, a testament to his years of hard work and dedication; and

WHEREAS, Justin Skule's accomplishments are the result of his tremendous talent, diehard determination, and indomitable will to win; the leadership and guidance of his coaches; and the unwavering support of the Clifton and Centreville communities; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Justin Skule, a world-class athlete with the San Francisco 49ers, hereby be commended for competing in the 2020 Super Bowl; and, be it

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