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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 211

Offered March 5, 2020

Commending the Clarke County High School academic team.

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WHEREAS, the Clarke County High School academic team won the Virginia High School League Class 2 Scholastic Bowl State Tournament on February 29, 2020, at Jamestown High School in Williamsburg; and

WHEREAS, the Clarke County High School academic team finished its regular season with a flawless 12-0 record, then embarked on its march to a state title by placing first at the Bull Run District Tournament on January 25, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Clarke County High School academic team subsequently won the Region 2B Scholastic Bowl Tournament on February 8, 2020, advancing to the Scholastic Bowl State Tournament; and

WHEREAS, in the final stage of competition, the Clarke County High School academic team defeated the Region 2A, Region 2C, and Region 2D champions in a round robin-style matchup to bring home the state title; and

WHEREAS, at the 2020 Scholastic Bowl State Tournament, the Clarke County High School academic team was represented by Evan Hanley, Wynn Morris, Linus Pritchard, Derek Sprincis, Benjamin Thompson, and Mark Viti; and

WHEREAS, the Clarke County High School academic team was led by team captain Mark Viti, who earned numerous accolades this season, including First Team All-District honors, First Team All-Region honors, and First Team All-State honors, placing among the top five scorers across the entire Commonwealth at the state tournament; and

WHEREAS, the Clarke County High School academic team benefited from a strong showing by Derek Sprincis, who received Second Team All-Region honors at the Region 2B Scholastic Bowl Tournament; and

WHEREAS, the Clarke County High School academic team owes its success to the dedication and hard work of its team members, Santiago Barajas-Castillo, Karl Bue, Jonathan Genda, Evan Hanley, Ethan Henard, Rebecca Housey, Christopher Martz, Wynn Morris, Linus Pritchard, Derek Sprincis, Campbell Summers, Benjamin Thompson, Taryn Tuttle, and Mark Viti; and

WHEREAS, the Clarke County High School academic team greatly benefited from the leadership of its coaches, Laurie Barbagallo and Thom Potts, who both received 2020 Region 2B Coach of the Year honors in 2020; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Clarke County High School academic team were championed along the way by the enthusiastic support of their parents and teachers and the entire Clarke County High School community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That the Clarke County High School academic team hereby be commended for winning the 2020 Virginia High School League Class 2 Scholastic Bowl State Tournament; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Clarke County High School academic team as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for the team's remarkable achievement and best wishes for the future.