2006 SPECIAL SESSION I

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Commending the Robinson Secondary School boys' swim and dive team.

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WHEREAS, the Robinson Secondary School boys' swim and dive team of Fairfax County won the 2006 Virginia High School League Group AAA state boys' swim and dive championship, held on February 17 and 18, 2006, at George Mason University; and

WHEREAS, the talented and hard-working Robinson Secondary School Rams have won four consecutive boys' state titles under swim coach Rich Gordon; and

WHEREAS, the Rams' relay team of Matt Krebs, Derek Bui, Jonathan Dee, and Jeff Bobsin opened the meet by winning second place in the 200-yard medley with a time of 1:38.20, which awarded them an automatic All-American time; and

WHEREAS, Zach Holmes, the number three seed, won the 50-yard freestyle state title with a time of 21.28; and

WHEREAS, in a state record-breaking performance, senior Drew Finelli won the 200-yard freestyle championship with a time of 1:41.59 and took second place in the 500-yard freestyle; and

WHEREAS, several Robinson alumni were in the George Mason Aquatic Center to cheer their alma mater to a win in the state finals; and

WHEREAS, the Rams lost the 500-yard freestyle record, but gained the 100-yard breaststroke state record with Derek Bui's state title win in a time of 57.69 seconds; and

WHEREAS, Tim Wingert, Jeff Bobsin, Jonathan Dee, and Zach Holmes won the 200-yard freestyle relay with a time of 1:27.91, and Drew Finelli, Tim Wingert, Matt Krebs, and Zach Holmes won the 400-yard freestyle relay with a time of 3:11.83; and

WHEREAS, the Robinson Secondary School boys' swim and dive team won five individual championship titles and convincingly captured the state team crown with an impressive team score of 283 points, with Lake Braddock Secondary School placing a distant second with 177 points; and

WHEREAS, the Rams' triumph is a tribute to the leadership of Head Coach Rich Gordon and his dedicated staff, the talent and hard work of the swimmers, and the enthusiastic support of the students, faculty, families, and supporters of the Robinson Secondary School boys' swim and dive team; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend and congratulate the Robinson Secondary School boys' swim and dive team on its championship performance; and, be it

RÉSOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Head Coach Rich Gordon and the Rams swimmers as an expression of the General Assembly's appreciation of their stellar 2005-2006 swim and dive season.