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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 356

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*Commending the Nelson County High School volleyball team.*

Patron—Deeds

WHEREAS, the Nelson County High School volleyball team ended a spectacular season by triumphantly taking home the 2010 Virginia High School League Group A Division I state championship; and

WHEREAS, the Nelson County Lady Govs' commitment to teamwork, sportsmanship, and hard work produced a strong season with a 2010 Dogwood District record of 19 wins and three losses that resulted in their placement as regular season and tournament runner-up; and

WHEREAS, as the team advanced to regional play, the Nelson County Lady Govs' steely determination came through as they defeated team after team to become Region B Division I champions; and

WHEREAS, the Nelson County High School volleyball team then defeated Northumberland High School and Bath County High School before advancing to the championship game against Mathews High School; and

WHEREAS, for the final game against Mathews High School, Nelson County High School sent a pep bus to cheer on the Lady Govs while more than a 100 other students, friends, faculty, and family made the trip to Virginia Commonwealth University's Siegel Center; and

WHEREAS, after losing to Mathews High School in a close first match, the Lady Govs exploded, scoring 96 points in 113 minutes to resoundingly win the final three matches and take their place as state champions; and

WHEREAS, the 2010 win marked the first time in school history that a Nelson County High School girls' team brought home a state championship; and

WHEREAS, the entire team—Brittany Crawford, Erika Toliver, Keona Loving, Natalie Campbell, Madison Carter, Maria McGarry, Ashley Wells, Nicole Taylor, Annie Saunders, and Fallon Viar—led by Head Coach Vicki Crawford and assistant coaches Heather Taress and Toni Donigan, worked hard throughout the entire season and tournament play; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly commend the Nelson County High School volleyball team on its 2010 Virginia High School League Group A Division I state championship; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Vicki Crawford, Head Coach of the Nelson County High School volleyball team, as an expression of the General Assembly's congratulations and admiration for the team's stellar season and championship performance.