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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 339

Offered January 26, 2017

Commending Doug Smith.

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WHEREAS, Doug Smith, head coach of the state champion Appomattox County High School football team, was named a Most Valuable Coach by U.S. Cellular in 2016; and

WHEREAS, during the 2016 season, Doug Smith led the Appomattox County High School Raiders to their second consecutive undefeated season and a win in the Virginia High School League Group 2A state championship; and

WHEREAS, under Doug Smith, the Appomattox County Raiders extended their win streak to 30 - 0, the longest active undefeated streak in the Virginia High School League; and

WHEREAS, Doug Smith was one of 1,500 coaches considered for the prestigious award and was named one of the top 15 high school coaches in the United States after a round of nationwide voting; and

WHEREAS, after a second round of voting, Doug Smith was one of two finalists to receive the Most Valuable Coach award in November 2016; and

WHEREAS, as the Most Valuable Coach, Doug Smith received a \$5,000 prize for Appomattox County High School, in addition to a \$1,000 prize he received for reaching the top 15, and was recognized at the Under Armor All-America Game in Florida on January 1, 2017; and

WHEREAS, Doug Smith provides strong mentorship to his players and teaches them to be leaders both on and off the field; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Doug Smith hereby be commended for being named a Most Valuable Coach by U.S. Cellular in 2016; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Doug Smith as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for his exceptional service to the students of Appomattox County High School.

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