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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 318

Offered January 18, 2017

*Commending Byron Robinson.*

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WHEREAS, Byron Robinson of Chesapeake proudly represented the United States and the Commonwealth at the Games of the XXXI Olympiad in Rio de Janeiro in 2016, participating in the 400-meter hurdles event; and

WHEREAS, a native of Richmond, Byron Robinson relocated to Chesapeake and graduated from Western Branch High School; he is a current student at the University of Texas at Austin, where he is studying government; and

WHEREAS, Byron Robinson earned a bronze medal in the 400-meter hurdles at the 2014 Penn Relays, the oldest and largest track and field competition in the country, and placed fourth in the 4x100-meter relay at the 2016 National Collegiate Athletic Association indoor track and field championship; and

WHEREAS, during the 2016 United States Olympic Trials, Byron Robinson was the only collegiate athlete to reach the finals of the men's 400-meter hurdles event and finished in second place to earn a spot on Team USA; and

WHEREAS, at the 2016 Olympic Games, Byron Robinson placed eighth in the 400-meter hurdles event; and

WHEREAS, throughout his track and field career and during the Olympic Games in particular, Byron Robinson has enjoyed the energetic support of his family, friends, coaches, and the members of the Chesapeake community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Byron Robinson for representing the United States and the Commonwealth in the 400-meter hurdles event at the Games of the XXXI Olympiad; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Byron Robinson as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his outstanding achievements as a member of Team USA.

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