SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 326

Commending Francena McCorory.

Agreed to by the Senate, January 26, 2017 Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 3, 2017

WHEREAS, Francena McCorory of Hampton proudly represented the United States and the Commonwealth at the Games of the XXXI Olympiad in Rio de Janeiro in 2016, winning a gold medal as a member of the women's 4x400-meter relay team; and

WHEREAS, born in California, Francena McCorory grew up in Hampton, where she graduated from Bethel High School and Hampton University; she won National Collegiate Athletic Association titles for the indoor 400-meter race in 2009 and the indoor and outdoor 400-meter races in 2010; and

WHEREAS, Francena McCorory holds the American record for the women's indoor 400-meter race with a time of 50.54 seconds and has earned six medals in world championship races; and

WHEREAS, at the 2016 Olympic Games, Francena McCorory helped to lead the women's 4x400-meter relay team to a winning time of 3:19.06; she previously earned a gold medal in the same event at the 2012 Olympic Games; and

WHEREAS, throughout her track and field career and during the Olympic Games in particular, Francena McCorory has enjoyed the ardent support of her family, friends, coaches, and members of the Hampton community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Francena McCorory on winning a gold medal in the women's 4x400-meter relay at the Games of the XXXI Olympiad; and, be it

RESOLVED FÜRTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Francena McCorory as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for her outstanding achievements as a member of Team USA.