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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 390

Offered February 27, 2018

Commending Maame Biney.

Patrons—Plum; Senator: Howell

WHEREAS, Maame Biney of Reston proudly represented the Commonwealth and the United States at the XXIII Olympic Winter Games in PyeongChang, Republic of Korea in February 2018; and

WHEREAS, a bronze medalist at the 2016 - 2017 Short Track Junior World Championships, Maame Biney posted a personal best time and won the 500-meter short track event at the U.S. Olympic Team Trials in December 2017 to qualify for Team USA; and

WHEREAS, Maame Biney made history as the first African American woman and only the second African American skater to qualify for an Olympic speed skating team in the United States; and

WHEREAS, in the 2018 Winter Olympics, Maame Biney competed in the 1,500-meter short track speed skating event and the 500-meter short track speed skating event, advancing to the quarterfinals; and

WHEREAS, throughout her career in speed skating, Maame Biney has enjoyed the passionate support of her family, friends, and coaches and the members of the Reston community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Maame Biney on representing the Commonwealth and the United States in speed skating at the XXIII Olympic Winter Games; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Maame Biney as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for her achievements as a member of Team USA.

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