

2018 SESSION

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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 190

Commending Justin Verlander.

Agreed to by the Senate, March 1, 2018
Agreed to by the House of Delegates, March 7, 2018

WHEREAS, Justin Verlander, a Virginia native, Goochland High School graduate, former Old Dominion University pitcher, and current Major League Baseball standout, won the 2017 World Series Championship with the Houston Astros; and

WHEREAS, Justin Verlander, the 2017 American League Championship Series MVP, was traded to the Houston Astros from the Detroit Tigers and went 5-1 with a 2.21 ERA for the Astros in the playoffs; and

WHEREAS, Justin Verlander has pitched two no-hitters and is a six-time Major League Baseball (MLB) All-Star, 2011 American League MVP, 2011 American League Cy Young Award winner, 2006 American League Rookie of the Year, and four-time American League strikeout leader; through the 2017 season, his 188 career wins are tied for the third most among active pitchers; and

WHEREAS, with 427 strikeouts, Justin Verlander holds all-time records at Old Dominion University (ODU), in the Colonial Athletic Association (CAA), and in Virginia history; the three-time All-CAA selection was an American Baseball Coaches Association Freshman All-American and Collegiate Baseball Honorable Mention All-American, and he was the second overall selection in the 2004 MLB Draft, the highest selection of any ODU player in school history; and

WHEREAS, Justin Verlander was inducted into the Old Dominion University Sports Hall of Fame in 2012, and his number 35 jersey was retired in 2010; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That Justin Verlander hereby be commended on winning the 2017 World Series Championship with the Houston Astros; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Justin Verlander as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his achievements.

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