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### SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 68

Offered March 8, 2018

*Commending Janae Blakeney.*

Patron—Suetterlein

WHEREAS, Janae Blakeney, a talented track and field athlete at Salem High School, won state titles in the long jump at the 2017 Virginia High School League Group 4A outdoor state championships as well as at the 2018 Group 4A indoor state championships; and

WHEREAS, during the outdoor state championships held June 3, 2017, Janae Blakeney recorded a personal best leap of 18 feet, 2.25 inches, to beat out 16 other competitors and seal the title; and

WHEREAS, along with her success in the long jump at the outdoor state championships, Janae Blakeney finished seventh in the 100 meters event with a time of 12.82 seconds and fifth in the 200 meters with a time of 25.77 seconds; and

WHEREAS, Janae Blakeney's standout 2017 season saw her named to the All-Timesland long jump first team by the *Roanoke Times*; and

WHEREAS, Janae Blakeney continued to excel during the indoor track and field state championships staged on February 23, 2018, securing the long jump title with a leap of 17 feet, 8.5 inches; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her indoor long jump championship, Janae Blakeney also finished second in the 55 meters with a time of 7.30 seconds and second in the 300 meters with a time of 41.27 seconds; and

WHEREAS, Janae Blakeney's talent and determination as a track and field competitor make her a shining example to her fellow student-athletes across the Commonwealth; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate of Virginia, That Janae Blakeney hereby be commended for winning the outdoor and indoor Virginia High School League Group 4A state long jump titles; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Janae Blakeney as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's admiration for her spectacular achievements and best wishes for continued success.

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