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### SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 240

Offered March 2, 2020

*Commending the Parry McCluer High School boys' cross country team.*

Patrons—Deeds; Delegate: Campbell, R.R.

WHEREAS, the Parry McCluer High School boys' cross country team of Buena Vista won the Virginia High School League Class 1 state championship at Green Hill Park in Salem on November 16, 2019; and

WHEREAS, winning the Pioneer District championship and Region 1C title earlier in the year, the Parry McCluer High School Blues finished the day with 38 points, coming in 34 points lower than the runner-up Auburn High School Eagles of Montgomery County and coasting to the team's first state title since 1980; and

WHEREAS, the Parry McCluer Blues were led by Dylan May, who ran the flat five-kilometer race in 15:54.6 for his first individual state title and the program's first in almost four decades; and

WHEREAS, the Parry McCluer Blues' victory was a total team effort, with four other runners earning all-state honors by placing among the top 15 finishes, including Cooper Braddy in seventh place with a time of 16:47.5, Trevor Tomlin in eighth place with a time of 16:49.8, and Kedryn Chandler in ninth place with a time of 16:57.8; and

WHEREAS, the Parry McCluer Blues also saw strong finishes from underclassmen Matthew Hemmings and Landon Mahaffey, who are poised to help carry the team in its upcoming seasons; and

WHEREAS, the accomplishments of the Parry McCluer Blues are the result of the hard work and dedication of the student-athletes, the leadership and guidance of their coaches and teachers, and the steadfast support of the entire Parry McCluer High School community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Parry McCluer High School boys' cross country team for winning the 2019 Virginia High School League Class 1 state championship; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Parry McCluer High School boys' cross country team as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the team's achievements and best wishes for the future.

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