SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 142

Commending the Fairfax High School gymnastics team.

Agreed to by the Senate, February 24, 2022
Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 28, 2022

WHEREAS, at the 2021 Virginia High School League Class 6 state championship, the Fairfax High School gymnastics team earned the first gymnastics team title in school history, along with several individual titles; and

WHEREAS, after strong performances in the floor, vault, and parallel bars events, the Fairfax High School Lions led the runner-up Ocean Lakes High School Dolphins by less than one point; and

WHEREAS, junior Payton Morrison clinched the win for the Fairfax Lions with an outstanding score of 9.55 on the last event of the day, the balance beam, and the team ended the competition with a total of 145.631 points; and

WHEREAS, Payton Morrison also recorded the top score on the vault and finished second in the floor routine and third on the uneven bars, qualifying for all four events in the individual open championship; and

WHEREAS, Payton Morrison secured individual state titles on the balance beam with a score of 9.8 and in the floor routine with a score of 9.6; she wrapped up the day by earning an individual all-around state title with a total score of 38.534 after second-place finishes on the uneven bars and the vault; and

WHEREAS, the successful season is a tribute to the skill and hard work of all the student-athletes, the leadership and guidance of coaches and staff, and the enthusiastic support of the entire Fairfax High School community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Fairfax High School gymnastics team on winning the team title and several individual titles in the Virginia High School League Class 6 state championships; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Susan Barborek, head coach of the Fairfax High School gymnastics team, as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the team's achievements and best wishes for the future.