

# 2022 SPECIAL SESSION I

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## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 637

Offered May 10, 2022

*Commending the Norfolk State University men's basketball team.*

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WHEREAS, the Norfolk State University men's basketball team won the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference Championship on March 12, 2022, at the Norfolk Scope Arena; and

WHEREAS, the Norfolk State University Spartans defeated the Coppin State University Eagles by a score of 72-57 to bring home the program's second consecutive Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) championship title; and

WHEREAS, after leading by only four points at halftime, the Norfolk State Spartans came out strong in the beginning of the second half, making more than 60 percent of their baskets in the last 20 minutes of play as they coasted to a commanding victory; and

WHEREAS, the Norfolk State Spartans were led in the contest by MEAC Player of the Year Joe Bryant, Jr., who scored 23 points; Jalen Hawkins, who had 17 points; and Dana Tate, who added 13 points; and

WHEREAS, the Norfolk State Spartans went a perfect 11-0 on their home court at Joseph G. Echols Memorial Hall in the 2021-2022 season and punched their ticket to the National Collegiate Athletic Association men's basketball tournament for the second straight year with their MEAC tournament championship win; and

WHEREAS, the success of the Norfolk State Spartans is the result of the dedication and hard work of the student-athletes, the leadership and guidance of their coaches and professors, and the unwavering support of the entire Norfolk State University community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That the Norfolk State University men's basketball team hereby be commended for winning the 2022 Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference Championship; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Robert Jones, head coach of the Norfolk State University men's basketball team, as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for the team's achievement.

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