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## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 638

Offered May 10, 2022

*Commending Joe Bryant, Jr.*

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WHEREAS, Joe Bryant, Jr., a leading member of the Norfolk State Spartans men's basketball team, was named the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference Player of the Year in 2022; and

WHEREAS, during the 2021-2022 season, Joe Bryant led the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) in scoring, finishing the regular season with 453 points and an average of 16.8 points per game, while ranking fourth in the conference with 3.3 assists per game and receiving MEAC Player of the Week honors four times; and

WHEREAS, after helping the Norfolk State Spartans win their second consecutive MEAC tournament championship in March 2022, Joe Bryant was named the tournament's Most Outstanding Player for the second year in a row, becoming the first player to achieve that feat since 1995; and

WHEREAS, Joe Bryant is notably only the second Norfolk State Spartan in program history to be named both MEAC Player of the Year and MEAC tournament Most Outstanding Player in the same season; and

WHEREAS, over 27 games, Joe Bryant made 112 out of 122 shots from the line for a .918 free throw percentage, giving him the best percentage in the MEAC and the third best among all National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I programs; and

WHEREAS, before joining the Norfolk State Spartans, Joe Bryant was a standout athlete at Lake Taylor High School in Norfolk, where he was twice a first-team All-Tidewater selection; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his accomplishments on the court, Joe Bryant has also excelled as a student at Norfolk State University, placing on the athletic director's honor roll each semester while studying for a degree in mass communications; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Joe Bryant, Jr., of the Norfolk State University men's basketball team hereby be commended for being named the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference 2022 Player of the Year; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Joe Bryant, Jr., as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for his achievements and best wishes in his future endeavors.

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