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 Commending Deborah Tyson.

## **HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 127**

Offered March 7, 2022

## Patron—Hudson

WHEREAS, Deborah Tyson, athletic director at Albemarle High School, who has fostered the accomplishments of thousands of student-athletes over her career, will retire in 2022; and

WHEREAS, Deborah Tyson embarked upon her coaching career in 1979 as a graduate assistant coach at East Carolina University and later ran the volleyball programs at Central Community College-Columbus, James Madison University, and the University of Virginia over the period of a decade: and

WHEREAS, Deborah Tyson joined the faculty of Albemarle High School 32 years ago as a physical education teacher and served briefly as assistant athletic director before assuming the role of athletic director in 1991; and

WHEREAS, Deborah Tyson fostered the growth and maturation of her student-athletes by emphasizing the importance of teamwork and inclusion, working hard to ensure that every family and child had a positive experience through their involvement with a school sport; and

WHEREAS, Deborah Tyson's commitment to excellence is reflected in the 18 Virginia High School League state championships Albemarle High School won during her tenure, including three in boys' soccer and forensics; two in boys' cross country, girls' soccer, girls' swimming, and scholastic bowl; and one in boys' lacrosse, girls' cross country, boys' indoor track and field, and volleyball; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of her extraordinary efforts and accomplishments and dedication to her students and staff, Deborah Tyson was inducted into the Virginia High School League Hall of Fame in 2017; and

WHEREAS, by encouraging her student-athletes to build lasting relationships and by motivating them to reach their full potential, Deborah Tyson has contributed greatly to the success of countless young people in Albemarle County over her distinguished career; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Deborah Tyson, athletic director at Albemarle High School, hereby be commended on the occasion of her retirement; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Deborah Tyson as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for her noteworthy career and many contributions to the Commonwealth.