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## **HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 878**

Offered April 1, 2025

Commending Cole Boone.

## Patron—Ballard

WHEREAS, Cole Boone, a student at Pulaski County High School, set a United States national record in the boys' indoor 1,000 meter track event with a time of 2:20.14 during the Virginia High School League Class 3 state indoor meet at Liberty University on March 4, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Cole Boone obliterated the previous record by more than two seconds to win the Virginia High School League (VHSL) Class 3 state championship in the 1,000 meter event, running more than 13 seconds faster than he had in 2024 when he won the state championship in the event as a sophomore; he has also claimed outdoor state championship titles in the 800 meter and 1,600 meter events as a sophomore; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his all-time national high school record, Cole Boone additionally holds four junior class indoor national records in the 800 meter, 1,000 meter, 1,500 meter, and 1,600 meter events, a sophomore class outdoor national record in the 800 meter event, a sophomore class indoor national record in the 800 meter event, and a freshman class indoor national record in the 1,000 meter event; and

WHEREAS, on March 15, 2025, Cole Boone came in first place in the 800 meter event at the New Balance Nationals Indoor track and field championship in Boston with a time of 1:48.29, which was the second best time for the event in meet history; he has also previously won middle school national championships in both the 800 meter and 1-mile events at the Adidas Outdoor Track Nationals in both 2022 and 2023; and

WHEREAS, Cole Boone is a 10-time All American and currently holds 13 records at Pulaski County High School between indoor track, outdoor track, and cross country and two all-time Virginia state records, including his 1,000 meter time from the 2025 VHSL indoor state meet; and

WHEREAS, Cole Boone's accomplishments are the result of his hard work and dedication, the leadership and guidance of his coaches and trainers, and the unwavering support of his family and the entire Pulaski County High School community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Cole Boone hereby be commended for setting the United States national record in the boys' indoor 1,000 meter track event and for winning the 2025 Virginia High School League state championship; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Cole Boone as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for his extraordinary achievements and best wishes for his continued success.