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## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 523**

Offered March 6, 2006

Commending Riverheads High School FCCLA.

Patrons—Saxman, Cline, Hurt, Landes, Lohr and Marshall, D.W.; Senator: Hanger

WHEREAS, the Riverheads High School chapter of the Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) organization was awarded the 2005 National High School Community Service Award; and

WHEREAS, the Riverheads High School FCCLA was established in 1962 upon the opening of the school; and

WHEREAS, this recognition marks the first time in school history that the FCCLA Riverheads High School chapter has won a national award; and

WHEREAS, the Riverheads High School FCCLA is mentored by faculty advisor, Kathleen Buchanan, who has led the group for 26 years; and

WHEREAS, students from the Riverheads High School FCCLA traveled to San Diego, California, to compete in events held during the national conference; and

WHEREAS, the Riverheads High School FCCLA chapter delegation participated in the Spotlight on Projects, including a presentation of highlights from the winning community service project by Chelsea Lawhorn and Emily Giles; and

WHEREAS, several thousand high school student participants viewed the successful projects initiated by the Riverheads High School FCCLA chapter; and

WHEREAS, the Riverheads High School FCCLA chapter received a plaque and a \$1,000 award for their project, "FCCLA Reaches KIDS: Kids in Different Situations"; and

WHEREAS, members of the Riverheads High School FCCLA chapter touched the lives of an estimated 750 youngsters, including local elementary students, special needs students, and patients at St. Jude's Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee, through the various activities in this year-long program; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby note the positive impact of "FCCLA Reaches KIDS: Kids in Different Situations" and the dedication and commitment exhibited by the Riverheads High School FCCLA chapter; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Riverheads High School FCCLA chapter as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration and best wishes for continued success.