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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 415

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Commending Joe Fleming.

Patrons—Poisson; Senator: Herring

WHEREAS, Joe Fleming, athletic director at Dominion High School of the Loudoun County Public Schools, was recognized in the *Loudoun Connection's* January 4, 2008, issue for "Making a Difference" in his community; and

WHEREAS, in 1996 as athletic director of Broad Run High School, Joe Fleming created Athlete-to-Athlete, a program in which high school athletes teach the fundamentals of volleyball to athletes with special needs; and

WHEREAS, the Athlete-to-Athlete program helped Broad Run High School win the National Award for Community Relations in 1999; and

WHEREAS, eleven years after the program's inception, Athlete-to-Athlete has been implemented and expanded throughout the Loudoun County Public Schools, and its hard-working students have taken over responsibility for the program; and

WHEREAS, through his guidance and visionary leadership, Joe Fleming plans to expand Athlete-to-Athlete to include every sport offered in the Loudoun County Public Schools, as well as implement the program in schools across the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, as a passionate and innovative educator, Joe Fleming uses a hands-on approach to help Athlete-to-Athlete participants form meaningful relationships, providing students with extraordinary high school experiences that will help them succeed in life; and

WHEREAS, Joe Fleming epitomizes the vital role school faculty plays as mentors inside and outside the classroom through his Athlete-to-Athlete program, which teaches students to be responsible and active members of their school and their community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly commend Joe Fleming for "Making a Difference" in the lives of Loudoun County students; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Joe Fleming as an expression of the General Assembly's gratitude for his commitment to the youth of Loudoun County and the Commonwealth.

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