2009 SESSION

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 917

Commending Annie Hughes.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 20, 2009 Agreed to by the Senate, February 25, 2009

WHEREAS, Annie Hughes, a senior at Peninsula Catholic High School, has achieved national recognition for exemplary volunteer service by being named a 2009 Prudential Spirit of Community Award finalist; and

WHEREAS, this prestigious award, presented by Prudential Financial in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals, honors young volunteers across America who have demonstrated an extraordinary commitment to serving their communities; and

WHEREAS, Annie Hughes coordinated a Veteran's Day vigil and prayer service to honor those who currently serve in the military and those who have served in the past; and

WHEREAS, Annie Hughes, whose father is in the military, held the event to support the loved ones of deployed soldiers while also helping the community recognize the soldiers' sacrifices; and

WHEREAS, Annie Hughes' achievement is a great example of how a young person can take an idea and make a huge impact on the lives of others; and

WHEREAS, the success of the Commonwealth of Virginia, the strength of its communities, and the overall vitality of American society depend, in great measure, upon the dedication of young people like Annie Hughes who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend and congratulate Annie Hughes as a finalist in the Prudential Spirit of Community Award program; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Annie Hughes as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for her outstanding record of volunteer service, peer leadership, and community spirit, and best wishes for her continued success and happiness. HJ917ER