HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 528

Commending Herndon High School on the occasion of its 100th anniversary.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, January 12, 2011 Agreed to by the Senate, January 13, 2011

WHEREAS, in 2011 Herndon High School of the Fairfax County Public Schools celebrates its 100th anniversary of providing quality education to the students of Herndon, Virginia; and

WHEREAS, Herndon High School began construction in 1911 with its first student, Lottie Dyer Schneider, graduating in 1919; and

WHEREAS, Herndon High School became part of the Fairfax County School system in 1932; and

WHEREAS, Herndon High School was the first accredited high school in Fairfax County; and

WHEREAS, Herndon High School established the first cafeteria in Fairfax County; and

WHEREAS, in 1984 Herndon High School established the first Navy Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps program in Fairfax County; and

WHEREAS, Herndon High School's mission is to fulfill the needs of a diverse student body, maintain high expectations and accountability, provide quality instruction, promote ethical values, and prepare students for the challenges of good citizenship and leadership; and

WHEREAS, Herndon High School's vision is to be an institution that with commitment, respect, responsibility, and integrity, empowers students to become lifelong learners and productive citizens of the global community; and

WHEREAS, throughout the school's 100-year history, the dedicated administration, teachers, staff, and coaches of Herndon High School have been committed to providing the highest quality education possible; and

WHEREAS, Herndon High School serves one of the most widely diverse student bodies in the Commonwealth with students from more than 79 countries who speak more than 53 different languages in their homes; and

WHEREAS, Herndon High School alumni have gone on to play professional basketball, have professional music and acting careers, and serve in the House of Delegates, as well as Mayor and Town Counsel of the Town of Herndon; and

WHEREAS, for 100 years, Herndon High School has served as a secure and nurturing environment for its students to excel academically and personally and prepare for lifelong, productive participation in a democratic society; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly commend and congratulate Herndon High School on the occasion of its 100th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to William Bates, principal of Herndon High School, as an expression of the General Assembly's gratitude to the high school for its commitment to the young people of Fairfax County and best wishes for a joyful 100th anniversary celebration.