HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 742

Offered January 24, 2011

Commending Heidi Peterson.

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WHEREAS, Heidi Peterson, a student at Lafayette High School in Williamsburg, was honored as the Daily Press Girls Cross Country Athlete of the Year on December 22, 2010; and

WHEREAS, as a freshman member of the Lafayette High School Rams girls' cross country team, Heidi Peterson placed 15th at the Virginia High School League 2008 Group AA Girls State Cross Country championship meet with a time of 19 minutes, 24 seconds for five kilometers; and

WHEREAS, unable to qualify for the 2009 state championship meet due to illness, Heidi Peterson dedicated her 2010 season to developing her skills as a distance runner; and

WHEREAS, reaping the benefits of practice through scorching afternoons and rain-drenched evenings, Heidi Peterson and the Lafayette High School Rams girls' cross country team, undaunted by the weather, enjoyed an undefeated regular season in 2010; and

WHEREAS, listed on the Lafayette High School Athletic Honor Roll for her many accomplishments, Heidi Peterson placed first at the Bay Rivers District Meet and then won the Region I championship with a finishing time of 19 minutes, 48.08 seconds for five kilometers; and

WHEREAS, Heidi Peterson was proud to join her fellow Lafayette High School Rams at the Virginia High School League 2010 Group AA Girls State Cross Country championship meet, where she placed 28th; and

WHEREAS, excelling in academics, Heidi Peterson was recognized by the Lafavette Athletic Booster Club for maintaining a semester grade point average of 3.0 or higher; and

WHEREAS, Heidi Peterson's success is a tribute to her own talent, dedication, and perseverance, and also to the support of her family and friends, and the coaches, students, and faculty of Lafayette High School: and

WHEREAS, with another promising cross country season and her senior year still ahead of her, there is no limit to what Heidi Peterson may achieve; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Heidi Peterson as the Daily Press Girls Cross Country Athlete of the Year; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Heidi Peterson as an expression of the General Assembly's congratulations on her high school cross country career and best wishes for her continued academic and athletic success.