HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 852

Commending Landstown High School.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 15, 2013 Agreed to by the Senate, February 21, 2013

WHEREAS, Landstown High School in Virginia Beach received the 2011 - 2012 Dodson Sportsmanship, Ethics, and Integrity award from the Virginia High School League; and

WHEREAS, the Dodson Sportsmanship, Ethics, and Integrity (SEI) award recognizes schools that make sportsmanship a priority and an expectation in the school and the community; and

WHEREAS, the award was renamed in 2007 to honor the memory of Claudia Dodson, an assistant director of the Virginia High School League (VHSL) from 1971 to 2002; and

WHEREAS, Claudia Dodson was passionate about ensuring that education remain a prominent feature of all VHSL programs and promoted standards of acceptable behavior for coaches, athletes, participants, students, and fans; and

WHEREAS, using a self-assessment checklist provided by the VHSL, Landstown High School demonstrated that it has enacted policies to ensure that sportsmanship is promoted and practiced at the school; and

WHEREAS, with coaches, athletes, participants, students, and fans all showing exceptional character, Landstown High School earned one of the 2011 - 2012 Dodson SEI awards by scoring 90 percent or higher with the self-assessment checklist; and

WHEREAS, Landstown High School has shown outstanding dedication to the VHSL's mission to build and promote respectful, successful high school sports programs in the Commonwealth; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Landstown High School on the occasion of winning the 2011 - 2012 Dodson Sportsmanship, Ethics, and Integrity award; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Landstown High School as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the school's commitment to fair play on and off the field.