

## 2014 SESSION

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### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 100

*Commending Mahri Aste.*

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, January 17, 2014  
Agreed to by the Senate, January 23, 2014

WHEREAS, Mahri Aste, the principal of Mosby Woods Elementary School in Fairfax, was honored for her commitment to quality elementary school education by her selection for the 2013 Outstanding Principal Award; and

WHEREAS, after obtaining her bachelor's degree from the University of Richmond, Mahri Aste studied at the University of Virginia, receiving her master's in 1990 and doctorate in 2009; and

WHEREAS, the Outstanding Principal Award is given annually to a graduate of the University of Virginia's Curry School of Education with a record of excellence in administration, professional stature outside the school, and dedicated community service; and

WHEREAS, an educator in Fairfax County Public Schools since 1990, Mahri Aste began her teaching career at Mosby Woods Elementary School and served as the principal of Lynbrook Elementary School in Fairfax before returning to Mosby Woods Elementary School in 2004 as the principal; and

WHEREAS, under Mahri Aste's dedicated leadership, Mosby Woods Elementary School has met the yearly progress standards for the Virginia Standards of Learning in all student groups from 2005 to 2012, and was named a National Title I Distinguished School in 2006 and 2007; and

WHEREAS, a passionate advocate for childhood education, Mahri Aste has received the Virginia Board of Education Excellence Award and the Virginia Governor's Award for Education Excellence in 2010 and 2011; and

WHEREAS, an educator to people of all ages, Mahri Aste also worked with George Mason University to create a professional development program at Mosby Woods Elementary School where the university's students learn to be effective teachers and administrators; and

WHEREAS, Mahri Aste has dedicated her life to educating the children of Fairfax County and to serving its community; she maintains a food pantry in the elementary school and participates in the Shining Stars program, which provides clothing and gifts to families in need during the holidays; and

WHEREAS, a loyal and inspirational leader, Mahri Aste has made an impact on the lives of countless students and the community of Fairfax County; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the principal of Mosby Woods Elementary School, Mahri Aste, on receiving the 2013 Outstanding Principal Award; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Mahri Aste as an expression of the General Assembly's respect and admiration for her dedication to the children and community of Fairfax County.

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