HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 299

Commending the Micah Initiative.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 14, 2014
Agreed to by the Senate, February 20, 2014

WHEREAS, the Micah Initiative, a partnership of volunteers from faith communities serving in Richmond Public Elementary Schools, celebrated 15 years of service to the community in 2013; and

WHEREAS, the Micah Initiative encourages mentoring, tutoring, and volunteering through its network of 1,500 volunteers from 130 faith groups in 23 local elementary schools; and

WHEREAS, the volunteers who participate in this program assist both the students and the teachers with everything from tutoring to reading to classroom support and one-time projects like Career Day; and

WHEREAS, the volunteers of the Micah Initiative share the common desire to serve the schools, teachers, and students of the Richmond Public Elementary School community; and

WHEREAS, many of the Richmond Public Elementary Schools served by the Micah Initiative would not be able to provide additional support and assistance to their students without this dedicated group of volunteers; and

WHEREAS, with the help of the Micah Initiative volunteers, thousands of young children and their families in the Richmond area have experienced greater opportunities and continued support from the community; and

WHEREAS, the Micah Initiative has supported the Richmond Public Elementary School community and provided it with enthusiastic and creative volunteers who enrich the lives of all the children they serve; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Micah Initiative on the occasion of its 15th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Micah Initiative as an expression of the General Assembly's respect and admiration for its 15 years of committed service to the Richmond Public Elementary School community.