

## 2014 SESSION

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### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 408

*Commending Poplar Heights Recreation Association.*

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, March 4, 2014  
Agreed to by the Senate, March 6, 2014

WHEREAS, the Poplar Heights Recreation Association was incorporated on March 11, 1954, as a neighborhood swim and tennis club; and

WHEREAS, beginning on April 1, 1954, the Poplar Heights Recreation Association sold shares and currently has 335 shareholders and serves over 1,000 individuals in Fairfax County, Arlington County, the City of Falls Church, and elsewhere; and

WHEREAS, the Poplar Heights Recreation Association is governed by a board of volunteer directors elected by the shareholders and bylaws that prescribe various aspects of the management of the association, its assets, shareholders meetings, and election of the board; and

WHEREAS, the Poplar Heights Recreation Association provides a six-lane lap pool with adjacent diving well, springboard, and slide; a separate wading pool for smaller children; and picnic areas with gas grills for use by members; and

WHEREAS, the Poplar Heights Recreation Association offers programs and activities for persons of all ages and abilities, including individual and group swim and tennis lessons and the Poplar Heights Swim Team; and

WHEREAS, the Poplar Heights Recreation Association offers four lighted hard-surface tennis courts, a separate fenced backboard area, and a professional tennis staff who helps beginners and experienced players perfect their skills; in addition, the association participates in the Tysons Cup League, which organizes tennis competition for men's, women's, and youth singles and doubles and adult mixed doubles; and

WHEREAS, the Poplar Heights Swim Team, known as the "Crush," whose colors are orange and black, has over 125 swimmers age five to 18 from 80 families who belong to the Poplar Heights Recreation Association; and

WHEREAS, the Crush competes in a six-week swim season, from late June through the end of July, as part of the Northern Virginia Swim League, one of the largest youth swim programs in the country, which began in 1956 with eight pools; today, the League has more than 16,000 swimmers on 102 separate teams in 17 divisions, and although a majority of the team's members swim during the summer season only, some swimmers participate in winter swim leagues and swim competitively year-round; and

WHEREAS, the Poplar Heights Recreation Association provides amenities that have enriched the lives of its members and enhanced the quality of life of the community for 60 years; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Poplar Heights Recreation Association on the occasion of its 60th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Hunt Shipman, president of the Poplar Heights Recreation Association board of directors, as an expression of the General Assembly's congratulations and appreciation of the association's service to the citizens of Northern Virginia.

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