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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 484

Offered March 3, 2014

Commending the Dar Al-Hijrah Islamic Center.

Patrons—Lopez, Kory, Plum, Sickles, Simon and Watts

WHEREAS, the Dar Al-Hijrah Islamic Center, a nonprofit organization in Falls Church, celebrated 30 years of serving and uplifting members of the Northern Virginia Muslim community and conducting outreach to the region in 2013; and

WHEREAS, founded in 1983, the Dar Al-Hijrah Islamic Center traces its roots to a house in Falls Church that was chosen for its proximity to the Washington, D.C., metro area and its thriving Muslim community; construction on the current facility began in 1986 and it opened in 1991; and

WHEREAS, the Dar Al-Hijrah Islamic Center works to strengthen the Muslim faith in the region through seminars, sermons, lectures, social activities, and clear operational hours for the observance of daily prayer; and

WHEREAS, encouraging the members of the Muslim community to become productive members of society, the Dar Al-Hijrah Islamic Center promotes cooperation, tolerance, and mutual understanding among different faiths; and

WHEREAS, the Dar Al-Hijrah Islamic Center conducts outreach in the community, offering educational classes and making charitable donations to those in need; and

WHEREAS, the Dar Al-Hijrah Islamic Center is affiliated with the Muslim American Society, a national religious, educational, cultural, and charitable organization; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Dar Al-Hijrah Islamic Center on the occasion of its 30th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Dar Al-Hijrah Islamic Center as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the center's commitment to serving the Northern Virginia Muslim community and peoples of all faiths.

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