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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 546

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Commending Woodbridge Senior High School.

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WHEREAS, in 2014, Woodbridge Senior High School celebrates 50 years of exceptional service to the youth of the Woodbridge and Lake Ridge communities; and

WHEREAS, Woodbridge Senior High School opened in 1964 and initially enrolled the classes of 1966, 1967, and 1968; the school grew rapidly through the 1960s, moving to its present location in 1974 when the original building became Woodbridge Middle School; and

WHEREAS, during the 1980s, Woodbridge Senior High School was one of the largest schools in the Commonwealth, and it was recognized as the top school in the Commonwealth in both athletics and academics in the 1990 - 1991 academic year; and

WHEREAS, Woodbridge Senior High School students have won acclaim through the school's music programs and drama productions, and both the boys' and girls' sports teams have earned district, regional, and state championship titles; and

WHEREAS, earning numerous other awards and accolades, Woodbridge Senior High School regularly appears in the top 10 percent of high schools on the *Washington Post's* annual America's Most Challenging High Schools index; and

WHEREAS, in 1999, as part of the Prince William County Public Schools Specialty School Initiative, Woodbridge Senior High School became the Center for Fine and Performing Arts, offering new opportunities for students in drama, music, visual arts, dance, and creative writing; and

WHEREAS, Woodbridge Senior High School also offers an advanced placement program and the Challenge of Engineering program, which delivers college credits and has developed an award-winning robotics program; and

WHEREAS, Woodbridge Senior High School will commemorate its 50th anniversary with the "50 Years of WSHS" celebration on September 12 - 13, 2014, featuring music, entertainment, alumni events, class reunions, and an open house; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Woodbridge Senior High School hereby be commended for its outstanding service to the youth of Woodbridge and Lake Ridge on the occasion of its 50th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to David Huckestein, principal of Woodbridge Senior High School, as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for the school's storied history and contributions to the community.

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