## **HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 575**

Commending McLean Youth Athletics, Inc.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, September 18, 2014

WHEREAS, McLean Youth Athletics, Inc., a volunteer organization that serves the McLean and Greater Fairfax communities by facilitating youth sporting events, celebrates its 60th anniversary in 2014; and

WHEREAS, McLean Youth Athletics was founded in 1954 as the McLean Boys Club with a mission to organize and provision athletic activities for the boys of the McLean area; and

WHEREAS, McLean Youth Athletics originally offered four sports programs—football, baseball, basketball, and track and field—for boys between the ages of seven and 17; in 1970, the club began offering sports programs for girls; and

WHEREAS, in 1974, the McLean Boys Club became McLean Youth, Inc., through a merger with the McLean Youth Athletic Association, and on March 25, 2004, the organization's name was changed to McLean Youth Athletics, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, in 1957, the McLean Boys Club served 100 local boys; in 2014, McLean Youth Athletics has grown to serve over 8,000 youth sports participants in basketball, soccer, lacrosse, field hockey, rugby, track and field, volleyball, and wrestling programs, with the help of more than 500 parents and volunteers; and

WHEREAS, throughout its 60-year history, McLean Youth Athletics has consistently advocated and raised money for numerous physical recreation facilities and opportunities, greatly benefiting the youth of the McLean area and Fairfax County; and

WHEREAS, McLean Youth Athletics has not only provided for the physical well-being of its members, but also served to promote the importance of positivity, resilience, courage, teamwork, leadership, and sportsmanship; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That McLean Youth Athletics, Inc., hereby be commended for 60 years of providing wholesome recreational activities to the youth of McLean and Fairfax County; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Board of Directors of McLean Youth Athletics, Inc., as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for its contributions to the community and the Commonwealth.