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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 508

Offered April 17, 2014

Commending Lauren Campsen.

Patron—Lewis

WHEREAS, Lauren Campsen, the admired, longtime principal of Ocean View Elementary School in Norfolk, was named a National Distinguished Principal by the Virginia Association of Elementary School Principals in 2014; and

WHEREAS, Lauren Campsen was nominated for the award by her peers and named as a finalist by a Virginia Association of Elementary School Principals committee; the prestigious award recognizes elementary and middle school administrators who have shown exceptional dedication to ensuring that students acquire a strong foundation for lifelong learning and achievement; and

WHEREAS, Lauren Campsen began her career with Norfolk Public Schools in 1978 at Sherwood Forest Elementary School, where she served as a reading teacher and an elementary specialist through 1994; she served as the assistant principal at Ghent School and Ocean View Elementary School before becoming the principal of Ocean View in 1999; and

WHEREAS, a respected and unifying leader, Lauren Campsen has devoted much of her life to preparing students for success in further education and careers and responsible citizenship; she is known for her dedication to serving both her students and the wider community; and

WHEREAS, in 2008, Lauren Campsen received an award for outstanding school leadership from the United States Department of Education; under her able leadership, Ocean View Elementary School earned a National Blue Ribbon School designation in 2008 and has consistently been named a Title I Distinguished School by the Virginia Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, Lauren Campsen will represent the Commonwealth in Washington, D.C., in October 2014 at ceremony to recognize award-winning principals from each state; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate of Virginia, That Lauren Campsen hereby be commended on being named a National Distinguished Principal by the Virginia Association of Elementary School Principals; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Lauren Campsen as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's admiration for her leadership and commitment to her faculty and students.

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