

2014 SPECIAL SESSION I

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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 508

Commending Lauren Campsen.

Agreed to by the Senate, June 12, 2014

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 a 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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