

# 2014 SPECIAL SESSION I

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## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 515

*Commending Scott Rankins.*

Agreed to by the Senate, June 23, 2014

WHEREAS, Scott Rankins earned the Honor of Fellow award from the Speech-Language-Hearing Association of Virginia for his many contributions to the field and tireless service to individuals with communication disorders; and

WHEREAS, recognizing outstanding contributions to the field and exceptional leadership within the organization, the Honor of Fellow is the highest award presented by the Speech-Language-Hearing Association of Virginia (SHAV); and

WHEREAS, for more than 25 years, Scott Rankins has worked to better the lives of his patients as a speech-language pathologist and as an administrator in public schools, hospitals, or private practices; and

WHEREAS, amassing a wealth of knowledge and experience, Scott Rankins has promoted the field of speech-language pathology as a lecturer and instructor at universities and as a presenter at SHAV conferences; and

WHEREAS, Scott Rankins has been a committed leader within SHAV, serving as the chair of the Political Action Committee, as a member of the Conference Planning Committee, and as a member of the Board of Directors and holding several other leadership positions; and

WHEREAS, Scott Rankins has authored professional position statements on several topics, secured an American Speech-Language-Hearing Association grant, worked to update SHAV's by-laws and internal policies, and helped develop proposed regulations for provisional licensure for speech-language pathology aides; and

WHEREAS, earning many other awards and accolades, Scott Rankins was named a Darden College of Education Fellow at Old Dominion University in 2012 and "A Professional Who Made a Difference" by the College of Education and Human Resources at Longwood University; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate of Virginia, That Scott Rankins hereby be commended on receiving the Honor of Fellow award from the Speech-Language-Hearing Association of Virginia; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Scott Rankins as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's admiration for his achievements and best wishes for the future.

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