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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 218 Offered March 8, 2016

Commending Burgundy Farm Country Day School.

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WHEREAS, for 70 years, Burgundy Farm Country Day School in the Alexandria area of Fairfax County has nurtured a love of learning in countless young students, presenting innovative curricula in a positive, supportive environment; and

WHEREÂS, founded by a group of parents seeking a small, cooperatively owned school for their children, Burgundy Farm Country Day School was established on a former dairy farm and held its first classes in 1946, with parents serving as many of the original staff members; and

WHEREAS, in 2016, Burgundy Farm Country Day School provides a unique educational experience to students in pre-kindergarten through eighth grade, and parent and family participation remains a vital component of the school's philosophy; and

WHEREAS, the faculty and staff of Burgundy Farm Country Day School work to ensure that children are engaged, challenged, and supported, recognizing that students are individuals who learn and grow at their own pace; and

WHEREAS, situated closely to forests, ponds, and streams, Burgundy Farm Country Day School uses the natural world as a classroom; students have the opportunity to participate in hands-on science projects in the great outdoors or visit the 500-acre Burgundy Center for Wildlife Studies in West Virginia; and

WHEREAS, with students representing many different backgrounds, Burgundy Farm Country Day School celebrates cultural diversity and helps students achieve their fullest potential; now, therefore, be

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Burgundy Farm Country Day School hereby be commended on the occasion of its 70th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Jeff Sindler, head of school of Burgundy Farm Country Day School, as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for the school's commitment to providing a challenging and engaging academic experience.