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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 961

Offered February 14, 2017

Commending Holly DeVore.

Patrons—Boysko, Albo, Bulova, Filler-Corn, Hugo, Keam, Kory, Krizek, LeMunyon, Lopez, Murphy, Plum, Sickles, Simon, Sullivan and Watts; Senators: Favola, Howell and McClellan

WHEREAS, Holly DeVore, an exceptional educator and school administrator who currently serves as principal of Oak Hill Elementary School in Herndon, was named the 2016 Outstanding School-based Leader by Fairfax County Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, the Outstanding School-based Leader award recognizes an educator or administrator who has demonstrated leadership in and out of the classroom and commitment to advancing the field of education; Holly DeVore received the award while serving as assistant principal of Oak Hill Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, Holly DeVore holds degrees from Pennsylvania State University and George Mason University; she previously taught third-grade through fifth-grade students at Clifton Elementary School and Silverbrook Elementary School and was assistant principal at Fairfax Villa Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, respected for her organizational skills, Holly DeVore was instrumental in bringing a Responsive Instruction program to Oak Hill Elementary School, painstakingly researching everything that was necessary for proper implementation; and

WHEREAS, Holly DeVore is a trusted mentor to her peers, works to create a safe and supportive environment for learning by building strong personal relationships with students, and puts parents at ease through her professionalism and warm personality; and

WHEREAS, Holly DeVore has succeeded in her mission to inspire young people to become lifelong learners with the love and support of her husband, John, and their son; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Holly DeVore for receiving the 2016 Outstanding School-based Leader award from Fairfax County Public Schools; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Holly DeVore as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for her contributions to the youth of Fairfax County and her leadership in academics.

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