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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 270

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Commending Westover Christian Academy.

Patrons—Adams, L.R. and Marshall; Senators: Ruff and Stanley

WHEREAS, Westover Christian Academy, a private Christian school in Danville that has nurtured the academic excellence and spiritual vitality of all its students, celebrated its 40th anniversary in 2017; and

WHEREAS, originally known as Southall Christian School, Westover Christian Academy was founded in 1977 with 25 kindergarten through fourth-grade students; the school added one new grade annually over the next eight years, and in 1986, it graduated its first senior class of six students; and

WHEREAS, Westover Christian Academy increased its commitment to early childhood education in the early 1990s with the addition of K-4 and K-3 preschool classes; since 2014, it has also offered a K-2 preschool class; and

WHEREAS, in 1994, Westover Christian Academy moved into a new building adjoining Westover Baptist Church that featured 18 classrooms, two science labs, a computer lab, a gym, and a cafeteria; in 1998, it added an additional 20,000 square feet of space, including a band room, a new library, and a dozen new classrooms; and

WHEREAS, fully accredited by the Association of Christian Schools International since 2002, Westover Christian Academy now has a student population of over 400 and has hosted students from China, Japan, and Korea as part of an international exchange program; and

WHEREAS, with a mission to provide a learning environment with a strong Christian foundation, Westover Christian Academy encourages its students to grow and develop academically, spiritually, socially, and physically; and

WHEREAS, in addition to its regular academic programs, Westover Christian Academy also operates an Enrichment Center that allows students to receive personalized instruction or advanced education classes; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of its four decades in operation, Westover Christian Academy held a celebration dinner and hosted a fundraiser for a "Feed the Need" mission project to send 10,000 meals to children in need in Haiti; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Westover Christian Academy for its contributions to excellence in private education on the occasion of its 40th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Westover Christian Academy as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for its dedication to its students and the community.

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