2018 SESSION

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 513

Commending Training Futures.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, March 7, 2018 Agreed to by the Senate, March 9, 2018

WHEREAS, for over 20 years, the Training Futures program has provided valuable job skills instruction to help adults from all walks of life find rewarding professional careers; and

WHEREAS, founded in 1996, Training Futures is a flagship program of the Northern Virginia Family Service, a nonprofit organization that provides resources to individuals and families to help them achieve sustained financial and social independence; and

WHEREAS, Training Futures is an intensive 25-week course for underemployed and unemployed adults; as part of the program, trainees work in a simulated office environment and learn how to function successfully in American corporate culture; and

WHEREAS, the Training Futures program includes instruction in computer skills, records management, office administration, business and professional communication, organizational skills, resume and interview preparation, and career research and job search techniques; and

WHEREAS, participants in Training Futures are expected to arrive on time, dress in professional attire, and complete office assignments; throughout the course, they receive performance reviews to track their progress; and

WHEREAS, Training Futures trainees also have access to job matching services and can complete short internships with participating businesses; and

WHEREAS, since its founding, Training Futures has trained some 2,200 people from diverse backgrounds and with varying levels of experience; within six months of completing the program, 72 percent of graduates secure full-time employment in an office environment; and

WHEREAS, through its comprehensive program, Training Futures has helped numerous adults develop the skills, experience, and confidence to find lasting and rewarding professional careers; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Training Futures on its more than 20 years of success in workforce development; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Training Futures as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the program's ongoing commitment to helping job seekers reach their full career potential. HJ513ER