

2018 SESSION

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 52

Commending Mountain Kim Martial Arts.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, January 12, 2018
Agreed to by the Senate, January 18, 2018

WHEREAS, Mountain Kim Martial Arts, a taekwondo and martial arts school that has instilled discipline and physical fitness in countless students, celebrates its 45th anniversary in 2018; and

WHEREAS, Mountain Kim Martial Arts was founded by Mountain Kim, a Korean taekwondo grandmaster, who won several martial arts tournaments in Asia; after moving to the United States, he started his first taekwondo school in 1973 in the basement of a small building in Falls Church; and

WHEREAS, the success of Mountain Kim Martial Arts' original location helped fuel increased interest in taekwondo and self-defense; in the years since its founding, the business has expanded to include several franchises in Virginia and Maryland; and

WHEREAS, the Mountain Kim Martial Arts schools offer instruction in taekwondo to children and teenagers; classes focus on self-defense skills and physical conditioning, as well as building mental concentration, self-confidence, and respect for others; and

WHEREAS, Mountain Kim Martial Arts provides an after-school program for children which combines time for homework with games and martial arts instruction; each year, the school also hosts a martial arts summer camp; and

WHEREAS, in addition to its classes for children, Mountain Kim Martial Arts offers classes for adults in a variety of martial arts, including taekwondo, judo, and hapkido; and

WHEREAS, over its many years of success, Mountain Kim Martial Arts' dedicated staff and instructors have served as positive role models for their students and encouraged self-respect and healthy life choices; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Mountain Kim Martial Arts, on the occasion of its 45th anniversary, for providing rewarding self-defense instruction to its students; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Mountain Kim Martial Arts as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for its accomplishments and best wishes for continued success.

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