SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 150

Commending John F. Pattie Sr. Elementary School.

Agreed to by the Senate, February 22, 2018
Agreed to by the House of Delegates, March 2, 2018

WHEREAS, for 40 years, John F. Pattie Sr. Elementary School in Dumfries has promoted academic excellence, a positive and safe school environment, and supportive relationships among its students, faculty, and staff; and

WHEREAS, founded in 1978, Pattie Elementary School is part of Prince William County Public Schools and serves the communities of Brittany, Forest Park, Grayson Village, Keswick Forest, Lake Crest, Montclair, and Stockbridge; and

WHEREAS, unlike many schools, Pattie Elementary School consists of two separate buildings; grades two through five are housed in the main building, while kindergarten through first grade are housed in what was formerly the building of Washington-Reid Elementary; and

WHEREAS, Pattie Elementary School has an instructional staff of 41 teachers who serve over 700 students; and

WHEREAS, Pattie Elementary School's students are each assigned to one of four elements: earth, air, fire, or water; they can earn points for their element group through positive behavior and achievement; and

WHEREAS, with a mission to promote high academic and social achievement, Pattie Elementary School seeks to meet the needs of its learners through meaningful instruction and strong communication and collaboration with parents; and

WHEREAS, Pattie Elementary School has an in-house START/SIGNET gifted program as well as an ESOL program and special education services; and

WHEREAS, Pattie Elementary School's extracurricular activities have included a chorus, a robotics program, and an enrichment matters program; an active parent-teacher cooperative helps coordinate fundraising efforts for after-school programs and special events; and

WHEREAS, Pattie Elementary School's main building is currently being enlarged; when the addition is completed in 2018, the entire school will move under one roof; and

WHEREAS, in 2017, Prince William County Public Schools recognized Pattie Elementary School as a School of Excellence for the tenth time in its history; and

WHEREAS, the diligent faculty, staff, and administration of Pattie Elementary School work constantly to improve all aspects of the learning experience and nurture academic achievement, self-esteem, respect, and responsibility in their students; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend John F. Pattie Sr. Elementary School on the occasion of its 40th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to R.J. Lucciotti, principal of John F. Pattie Sr. Elementary School, as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for its commitment to providing students with a strong foundation for lifelong learning.