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## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 1125**

Offered February 18, 2019

Commending Dr. Terri Mason.

Patrons—Tran; Senators: Barker, Marsden and Saslaw

WHEREAS, Dr. Terri Mason, counselor at Hunt Valley Elementary School in Springfield for over two decades, was named Counselor of the Year by the Virginia Counselors Association in 2018; and

WHEREAS, Terri Mason began her career in education as a teacher, but later determined that counseling was her true calling; she has been a counselor with Fairfax County Public Schools for over 24 years and has also served as a counselor educator at George Mason University; and

WHEREAS, Terri Mason takes a holistic approach to counseling, placing emphasis on life skills training, peer support, and community engagement; and

WHEREAS, Terri Mason serves as president of the Virginia Association for Specialists in Group Work and plans its annual conference; the organization was recognized as Chapter of the Year by the national group in 2016 and Terri Mason was honored as Division Member of the Year; and

WHEREAS, students at Hunt Valley Elementary School have a more enjoyable learning experience as a result of the support and guidance provided by Terri Mason; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Dr. Terri Mason, the Virginia Counselors Association's 2018 Counselor of the Year; and, be it RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Dr. Terri Mason as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the care and attention she has shown students of the Commonwealth.