

2019 SESSION

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 962

Commending Calista Garcia.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 18, 2019
Agreed to by the Senate, February 23, 2019

WHEREAS, Calista Garcia, an eleventh-grade student at H-B Woodlawn Secondary Program in Arlington, was named a 2018 National YoungArts Foundation award winner in the singer-songwriter category; and

WHEREAS, as a National YoungArts Foundation award winner, Calista Garcia was selected through a blind adjudication process and received valuable support, professional development, and educational experience working with renowned mentors; and

WHEREAS, growing up in a family supportive of the arts and arts education, songwriting comes naturally to Calista Garcia; at the age of 13, she wrote the score to a musical her school produced based on *Lysistrata*; and

WHEREAS, Calista Garcia continues to perform frequently at events around the Washington, D.C., area in a style that has been described as a folk-rock and blues sound that harkens back to 1970s classic acts; she aspires to continue in her professional and artistic development; and

WHEREAS, in 2019, Calista Garcia was selected as an Artist in Residence at Strathmore, a multidisciplinary arts center and presenting organization where she received mentoring and training, as well as unique performance and learning opportunities; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Calista Garcia, an eleventh-grade student at H-B Woodlawn Secondary Program in Arlington, for receiving the National YoungArts Foundation award in the singer-songwriter category; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Calista Garcia, as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for her dedication to the arts.

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