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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 305

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2 3 Commending the National Conference Center's Project SEARCH team. 4

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6 WHEREAS, the National Conference Center's Project SEARCH team, which prepares young people 7 with disabilities in Loudoun County for successful employment, received the Employment Outcome 8 Award from the national Project SEARCH organization; and

9 WHEREAS, the Ohio-based Project SEARCH awarded the National Conference Center's Project 10 SEARCH team with this prestigious award because of the high number of participants who were offered jobs in the community; and 11

WHEREAS, the National Conference Center's Project SEARCH team was recognized at the Project 12 13 SEARCH International Conference, where 196 program sites from 34 states and three countries were recognized; Didlake, a nonprofit providing opportunities for people with disabilities in Maryland, 14 15 Virginia, and the District of Columbia, serves as the Community Rehabilitation Partner for Project 16 SEARCH at the National Conference Center; and

WHEREAS, the National Conference Center's Project SEARCH team was made up of 10 students 17 18 who worked for 10 months rotating between different departments throughout the property, including the 19 culinary, maintenance, IT technology, groundskeeping, housekeeping, front desk, and events departments; 20 and

21 WHEREAS, the National Conference Center worked closely with Loudoun County Public Schools to 22 recruit and supervise the Project SEARCH team; and

23 WHEREAS, the National Conference Center plans to continue hosting Project SEARCH teams and is 24 encouraging other area businesses to do the same; now, therefore, be it

25 RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That the National Conference Center's Project SEARCH team hereby be commended for receiving recognition from the national organization for preparing young 26 27 people with disabilities in Loudoun County for successful employment; and, be it

28 RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution 29 for presentation to the National Conference Center's Project SEARCH team as an expression of the 30 House of Delegates' admiration for the organization's contributions to the community as a supportive 31 stepping stone to success.

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