

2019 SESSION

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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 432

Commending the Loudoun County Fire and Rescue Department.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 22, 2019

WHEREAS, the Loudoun County Fire and Rescue Department earned a 2018 Achievement Award from the National Association of Counties for creating the Loudoun County Metrorail Training Simulator to help local first responders better prepare for emergency situations; and

WHEREAS, the Achievement Awards from the National Association of Counties recognize organizations like the Loudoun County Fire and Rescue Department that have helped make county governments more efficient or helped increase services to residents; and

WHEREAS, with the impending completion of the Washington Metro Silver Line, the Loudoun County Fire and Rescue Department identified the need for a specialized training facility to prepare first responders to safely and effectively respond to unique emergency situations related to the Metrorail; and

WHEREAS, the Loudoun County Fire and Rescue Department researched and constructed a 95-foot replica of a railcar track and worked with the Loudoun County Department of Transportation and Critical Infrastructure, which donated two decommissioned 1000-series railcars; and

WHEREAS, located at the Oliver Robert Dubé Fire and Rescue Training Academy in Leesburg, the Loudoun County Fire and Rescue Department's Metrorail Training Simulator is the only such simulator in the region and provides a realistic training environment for multi-agency drills incorporating other local public safety departments; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That the Loudoun County Fire and Rescue Department hereby be commended on receiving a 2018 Achievement Award for creating the Loudoun County Metrorail Training Simulator; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Loudoun County Fire and Rescue Department as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for its accomplishments in service to Loudoun County.

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