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Commending Sangster Elementary School.

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WHEREAS. Sangster Elementary School of Fairfax

WHEREAS, Sangster Elementary School of Fairfax County was awarded the Purple Star designation by the Virginia Department of Education and the Virginia Council on the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children on October 24, 2018, and the 2018 Board of Education Excellence Award for advanced learning and achievement; and

WHEREAS, the Purple Star designation recognizes outstanding schools like Sangster Elementary School for their excellence in supporting military-connected children and their families; and

WHEREAS, to earn a Purple Star designation, schools must appoint a staff member to serve as a point of contact for military-connected students and their families and to serve as a liaison between the school and local military communities; schools must also demonstrate a commitment to meeting the needs of military-connected students and their families by providing resources and programming on issues like transitions and academic planning; and

WHEREAS, Sangster Elementary School was one of 14 public schools in Fairfax County and 59 schools in the Commonwealth to earn the Purple Star designation in 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education Excellence Award honors schools that meet all state and federal accountability benchmarks and demonstrate significant progress toward goals for increased student achievement and expanded educational opportunities set by the Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, Sangster Elementary School was one of 133 schools to earn the Board of Education Excellence Award in 2018; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Sangster Elementary School hereby be commended for receiving the Purple Star designation and the 2018 Board of Education Excellence Award; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Lisa Reddel, principal of Sangster Elementary School, as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for the school's commitment to supporting military-connected children and their families and to advanced learning and achievement.