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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 328

Offered February 25, 2020

Commending Mobile Hope of Loudoun.

Patrons—Subramanyam and LaRock; Senator: Boysko

WHEREAS, for nearly a decade, Mobile Hope of Loudoun has served and supported young people who do not have stable housing or are currently experiencing homelessness; and

WHEREAS, established in 2011, Mobile Hope of Loudoun was originally an adjunct of the Mobile Health program at Inova Loudoun Hospital; three years later, it became an independent nonprofit organization, with Donna Fortier as the founding chief executive officer; and

WHEREAS, Mobile Hope of Loudoun provides access to housing solutions, daily essentials, and life-changing support from its office in Leesburg or from a bus that travels throughout Ashburn, Leesburg, Lucketts, Middleburg, Purcellville, Sterling, and South Riding; and

WHEREAS, Mobile Hope of Loudoun's Homeless Youth Diversion Program provides comprehensive case management, essential support items, transportation and financial assistance, life skills training, and the Youth Employment Services program to help clients find and pursue careers; and

WHEREAS, Mobile Hope of Loudoun's Crisis Care provides safe emergency housing, additional case management options, mental health counseling, substance abuse support with licensed clinical social workers, the Handcuffs to Hope program for incarcerated youths, and all the services offered by the Homeless Youth Diversion Program; and

WHEREAS, over the course of its history, Mobile Hope has made a significant, positive impact in Loudoun County and helped many young people become thriving, self-sufficient members of the community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Mobile Hope of Loudoun for nearly 10 years of service to vulnerable members of the Loudoun County community; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Mobile Hope of Loudoun as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for its vital work to support young people currently or at risk of experiencing homelessness.