## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 400

Commending Hunt Valley Elementary School.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, March 3, 2020 Agreed to by the Senate, March 5, 2020

WHEREAS, in 2019, Hunt Valley Elementary School in Fairfax County celebrated its 50th anniversary of providing a safe, supportive environment for children to learn and grow; and

WHEREAS, established in 1969, Hunt Valley Elementary School currently serves more than 700 students in kindergarten through sixth grade and feeds into Irving Middle School and West Springfield High School; and

WHEREAS, the dedicated faculty and staff members of Hunt Valley Elementary School utilize a variety of instructional enrichment techniques and intervention strategies to help students build a strong foundation for lifelong learning and explore their talents, strengths, and passions; and

WHEREAS, Hunt Valley Elementary School promotes the HAWKS (Helpfulness, Accountability, Wise Choices, Kindness, and Safety for All) system to maintain a positive atmosphere and help students develop a sense of responsibility and self-respect; and

WHEREAS, technology plays a vital role at Hunt Valley Elementary School, with students learning good digital citizenship skills along with the ability to think creatively and critically; students in kindergarten through second grade attend a weekly computer lab and students in grades three through six are assigned individual laptops for school use; and

WHEREAS, Hunt Valley Elementary School offers a wide range of cocurricular activities and has increased opportunities for students by building strong relationships with parents, local volunteers, and the community as a whole; and

WHEREAS, Hunt Valley Elementary School places a high emphasis on supporting military families and has received the Purple Star School designation from the Virginia Department of Education for its outstanding programming and resources, including a trained staff member to help families with transitions and academic planning; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of its accomplishments in service to young people, Hunt Valley Elementary School has received the Governor's Award for Educational Excellence and the Distinguished Achievement Award; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Hunt Valley Elementary School for its legacy of service to young people in Fairfax County on the occasion of its 50th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Hunt Valley Elementary School as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the school's commitment to academic excellence and for its contributions to the Fairfax County community.