HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 426

Commending Earsaline Anderson.

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

WHEREAS, Earsaline Anderson, a resident of Fauquier County, has worked to preserve the important history of local Rosenwald Schools, which were established across the South in the early 20th century to provide educational opportunities for African American children; and

WHEREAS, a retired federal government worker, Earsaline Anderson has spent time as a volunteer monitoring deliberations related to the planned renovation and expansion of a middle school in Fauquier County on behalf of the Afro-American Historical Association of Fauquier; and

WHEREAS, as a proponent of education as well as a teacher's secretary for Fauquier County Public Schools, Earsaline Anderson advocates for the commemoration of historical academic buildings in Fauquier, noting the importance of preserving and promoting African American history; and

WHEREAS, Earsaline Anderson has dedicated her life to serving others throughout the Commonwealth and the United States and plans to continue to give back to her community and to her spiritual home, Mount Olive Baptist Church, where she served as clerk; and

WHEREAS, Earsaline Anderson's work has uplifted the Fauquier community and helped to spread awareness of African American history and heritage in Virginia; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Earsaline Anderson for her work to preserve the legacy of the all-black Rosenwald Schools in Fauquier County; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Earsaline Anderson as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for her contributions to the community.