

20108904D

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 445

Offered March 2, 2020

Commending the Loudoun County Bar Association.

Patrons—Subramanyam; Senators: Bell and Favola

WHEREAS, the Loudoun County Bar Association strives to advance the legal profession by providing attorneys in Loudoun County with opportunities for professional development and community outreach; and

WHEREAS, members of the Loudoun County Bar Association volunteer their time to support important programs that provide legal services, legal education, and critical resources for community members in need; and

WHEREAS, the Loudoun County Bar Association supports attorneys in the region by providing various continuing legal education programs and strives to ensure that all members of the community have access to legal representation; and

WHEREAS, the Loudoun County Bar Association supports a website to help non-represented individuals in family law cases and offers resources for indigent citizens to effectuate non-contested divorces or receive appropriate clothing for court appearances; and

WHEREAS, through its Wills for Heroes program, the Loudoun County Bar Association drafts essential legal documents, such as wills, living wills, and powers of attorney, at no cost for first responders; and

WHEREAS, the Loudoun County Bar Association supports numerous worthy charitable causes, including annual food drives during the holidays and the Toys for Tots program every December; and

WHEREAS, the Loudoun County Bar Association gives students the opportunity to discuss relevant legal issues and maintains the Loudoun County Chapter of Beat the Odds® , a scholarship program for at-risk youths; and

WHEREAS, for the past 20 years, members of the Loudoun County Bar Association have inspired many young people to learn about the legal system through the Thomas D. Horne Leadership in the Law Program, a competitive summer camp that allows 24 students from high schools in Loudoun County and Fauquier County to receive legal training and participate in a mock trial; and

WHEREAS, the Thomas D. Horne Leadership in the Law Program gives students the opportunity to learn about criminal and civil law, courtroom proceedings, and effective trial advocacy from judges, lawyers, law clerks, and other legal professionals, fostering an appreciation for the legal system in these young leaders; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Loudoun County Bar Association for its work to support attorneys professionally and help them stay engaged with the local community; 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 Bar Association as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the organization's contributions to the residents of Loudoun County.

INTRODUCED

HJ445