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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 472

Offered March 2, 2020

*Commending Special Olympics Virginia-Loudoun County.*

Patrons—Subramanyam; Senator: Bell

WHEREAS, Special Olympics Virginia-Loudoun County, an organization dedicated to supporting athletes with intellectual disabilities, has positively impacted the community for many years; and

WHEREAS, Special Olympics Virginia (SOVA)-Loudoun County facilitates the athletic ambitions of individuals of all ages through a variety of sports programs available year-round, including basketball, bocce, bowling, equestrian activities, flag football, golf, powerlifting, soccer, softball, swimming, tennis, and volleyball; and

WHEREAS, SOVA-Loudoun County provides experiences that help hundreds of individuals develop skills and discover new strengths and abilities, instilling in its participants a sense of joy and confidence; and

WHEREAS, the accomplishments of SOVA-Loudoun County are made possible through the tireless efforts of more than 200 volunteers, as well as the financial support of various community partners; and

WHEREAS, by bringing people together to recognize the talents of everyone in the community, SOVA-Loudoun County makes the Commonwealth a better place to live, work, and play; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Special Olympics Virginia-Loudoun County for creating opportunities encouraging all members of the community to thrive; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Jeff Erikson, council chair of the Special Olympics Virginia-Loudoun County, as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the achievements of the organization's athletes and best wishes for the future.

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