## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 489**

Commending the Chinmaya Somnath chapter of the Chinmaya Mission Washington Regional Center.

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

WHEREAS, the Chinmaya Somnath chapter of the Chinmaya Mission Washington Regional Center has provided spiritual guidance, generous outreach, and opportunities for joyful worship to members of the Chantilly community for several years; and

WHEREAS, the Chinmaya Mission, an organization that supports a variety of spiritual, educational, and charitable activities in more than 300 centers around the globe, was established in India in 1953 by devotees of the Vedanta teacher Swami Chinmayananda; and

WHEREAS, since the late 1980s, the Chinmaya Mission Washington Regional Center has served the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area through worship opportunities, community projects, and other beneficent activities; and

WHEREAS, the Chinmaya Somnath chapter of the Chinmaya Mission Washington Regional Center extends the outreach of the global organization to members of the Chantilly community; and

WHEREAS, by cultivating the inner personal growth of individuals and the collective well-being of the community, the Chinmaya Somnath chapter of the Chinmaya Mission Washington Regional Center has become a valued institution in the Chantilly community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Chinmaya Somnath chapter of the Chinmaya Mission Washington Regional Center for providing spiritual leadership and other enriching activities to the Chantilly community for many years; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Chinmaya Somnath chapter of the Chinmaya Mission Washington Regional Center, as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for the organization's service to the Commonwealth and best wishes for the future.