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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 124

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Commending Lord Fairfax Community College.

Patrons—Vogel; Delegate: LaRock

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WHEREAS, in 2020, Lord Fairfax Community College celebrates 50 years of providing students of all ages with exceptional educational and career training opportunities; and

WHEREAS, Lord Fairfax Community College has served an important role in the economic development of the region, working with local governments, area school systems, and business and industry partners; and

WHEREAS, on October 11, 1969, community leaders broke ground on a 120-acre tract of land in Middletown in Frederick County to establish Lord Fairfax Community College, named in honor of Thomas, Baron Cameron, sixth Lord Fairfax; and

WHEREAS, Lord Fairfax Community College officially opened on September 29, 1970, and enrolled 577 students during its first year; and

WHEREAS, 259,421 students have been enrolled at Lord Fairfax Community College since 1970, and 22,517 individuals have received a degree or certificate; and

WHEREAS, Lord Fairfax Community College opened a campus in Fauquier County in 1988, a center in Page County in 2006, and a second location in Fauquier County at Vint Hill in 2016; and

WHEREAS, approximately 20,000 students are now served each year through Lord Fairfax Community College's academic and workforce training programs, high school dual enrollment courses, professional development and continuing education opportunities, and adult basic education programs; and

WHEREAS, Lord Fairfax Community College proudly represents the geographic region comprising the City of Winchester and the Counties of Clarke, Fauquier, Frederick, Page, Rappahannock, Shenandoah, and Warren; and

WHEREAS, Lord Fairfax Community College faculty, staff, students, alumni, and board members have brought honor and positive recognition to the region and to the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, Lord Fairfax Community College remains committed to its mission to provide "a positive, caring, and dynamic learning environment that inspires student success, values diversity, and promotes community vitality," and embraces five core values of learning, high performance, integrity, positive spirit, and diversity; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Lord Fairfax Community College on the occasion of its 50th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Dr. Kimberly P. Blosser, president of Lord Fairfax Community College, as an expression of the General Assembly's congratulations on this historic milestone.