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Commending Marquita Moore.

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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 542

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WHEREAS, Marquita Moore of North Chesterfield was recently honored as the 2020 Virginia Direct Support Professional of the Year for her work to foster environments that allow each individual she supports to feel valued, and for her work as a daily advocate for those she supports, helping them to cultivate healthy, meaningful relationships with their family members; and

WHEREAS, Virginia's workforce of direct support professionals (DSP) constitutes the backbone of the Commonwealth's community services delivery system, ensuring that individuals with disabilities lead a fulfilling life in the community through a diverse range of services; and

WHEREAS, DSPs like Marquita Moore offer individuals with disabilities a wide range of supports so that the people they care for can live with family or peers in the community, including daily living activities, medicine administration, employment, and social activity engagement; and

WHEREAS, the American Network of Community Options and Resources annually recognizes DSP of the Year award recipients throughout the nation for their excellence in providing long-term supports and services to individuals living with intellectual and developmental disabilities; and

WHEREAS, Marquita Moore, currently working for ResCare Community Living Services, has over eight years of experience as a DSP; she exhibits outstanding patience with and provides exceptional encouragement to each individual she serves; her discipline in addressing every situation is balanced and positive, and her personal interactions inspire positive living and working environments; now, therefore,

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Marquita Moore hereby be commended for her commitment to individuals with disabilities in Virginia on the occasion of her selection as the 2020 Virginia Direct Support Professional of the Year; and, be it

RESOLVED FÜRTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Marquita Moore as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration of her service to the citizens of the Commonwealth.