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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 223

Offered January 13, 2021 Prefiled January 11, 2021

Commending Lindsey Pantele.

Patrons—VanValkenburg, McQuinn and Willett

WHEREAS, Lindsey Pantele, an English teacher at Glen Allen High School, was named Henrico County Public Schools Teacher of the Year in 2020; and

WHEREAS, a proud alumna of Henrico County Public Schools, including Mills E. Godwin High School, Lindsey Pantele encountered several teachers growing up who inspired her to pursue a career in education; and

WHEREAS, with early ambitions to become a teacher, Lindsey Pantele attended Christopher Newport University, where she earned an undergraduate degree in English and a master's degree in teaching; and

WHEREAS, Lindsey Pantele has been teaching at Glen Allen High School since it was founded in 2010; along with various English courses, she teaches in the school's Center for Education and Human Development, which provides aspiring students with advanced curriculum to help them achieve their educational and career goals; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her English courses, Lindsey Pantele leads Glen Allen High School's yearbook class and organizes its annual "Battle of the Classes" competition, contributing greatly to the sense of community at the school; and

WHEREAS, without the standard announcement ceremony due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Lindsey Pantele was notified of the award at home during a surprise visit by Amy Cashwell, superintendent of Henrico County Public Schools, and Kristi Kinsella, Brookland District representative on the Henrico County School Board; and

WHEREAS, Lindsey Pantele was selected for Henrico County's top teaching honor from among more than 4,000 teachers, receiving \$1,000 from Henrico Federal Credit Union as part of the award; and WHEREAS, Lindsey Pantele has fostered a positive learning environment that encourages her

WHEREAS, Lindsey Pantele has fostered a positive learning environment that encourages her students to challenge themselves, strive for their dreams, and succeed, both in and out of the classroom; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Lindsey Pantele, an English teacher at Glen Allen High School, hereby be commended for the distinction of being named Henrico County Public Schools Teacher of the Year in 2020; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Lindsey Pantele as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for her remarkable achievement and best wishes for the future.