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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 553

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Commending Xavier R. Richardson.

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WHEREAS, Xavier R. Richardson, a native of Fredericksburg and senior vice president and chief development officer for Mary Washington Healthcare, has admirably served as president of both the Mary Washington Hospital Foundation and the Stafford Hospital Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Xavier Richardson previously served as an assistant director of the United States General Accounting Office in Washington, D.C., for nine years, and worked on Wall Street for five years and at McKinsey and Company in New York City before that; and

WHEREAS, Xavier Richardson is well-known in the community for his work mentoring young adults and is the founder and executive director of The Partnership for Academic Excellence, which has assisted over 5,650 minority students in their quest for a college education over the past three decades; and

WHEREAS, Xavier Richardson is a member of numerous local, state, and national boards, including the boards of Fredericksburg Academy, ArtsLIVE!, Sigma Pi Phi fraternity, Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity, the Lloyd F. Moss Free Clinic, the local Boys and Girls Club, the Children's Home Society of Virginia Foundation, the University of Mary Washington Foundation, and Delta Sigma Theta sorority's foundation; and

WHEREAS, Xavier Richardson was appointed by both Governor Timothy M. Kaine and Governor Robert F. McDonnell as a member of the Board of Visitors of the University of Mary Washington; later, Governor Terence R. McAuliffe named him to his higher education transition team, the Board of Visitors of Virginia State University, and the Virginia Economic Development Partnership; and

WHEREAS, Xavier Richardson has received numerous honors, including the first James Farmer Distinguished Lecturer Award by the University of Mary Washington; he was awarded The Virginia Hospital and Healthcare System's Meritorious Service Award for outstanding contributions to the community and health care industry and, in 2008, was the recipient of the Fredericksburg Regional Chamber of Commerce's highest honor, the Prince B. Woodard Leadership Award; and

WHEREAS, in 2010, the City of Fredericksburg named Xavier Richardson "Fredericksburg's Hometown Hero" in conjunction with the Fox 5 News's Hometown Hero program; in 2012, he was chosen as a recipient of the Strong Men and Strong Women in Virginia History Award sponsored by Dominion Energy and the Virginia Public Library; he is a Rotary International Paul Harris Fellow and a Boy Scouts of America Good Scout Award recipient; and

WHEREAS, Xavier Richardson, a graduate of James Monroe High School in Fredericksburg, is a graduate of Princeton University, where he received his bachelor's degree magna cum laude, and the Harvard Business School, from which he earned his master's degree in business administration; he is the recipient of an honorary doctorate of humane letters from Saint Paul's College; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Xavier R. Richardson, a native of Fredericksburg, senior vice president and chief development officer for Mary Washington Healthcare, and gubernatorial appointee to the Board of Visitors of the University of Mary Washington and the Virginia Economic Development Partnership, hereby be commended for his service; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Xavier R. Richardson as an expression of the House of Delegates' respect for his contributions to the Commonwealth.

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