HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 557

Commending Inova Loudoun Hospital and Inova Ashburn Healthplex.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 25, 2021

WHEREAS, Inova Loudoun Hospital and Inova Ashburn Healthplex, facilities affiliated with the Inova Health System in Northern Virginia, have admirably served the health care needs of the Loudoun County community during the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the more than 1,900 team members at Inova Loudoun Hospital and Inova Ashburn Healthplex, including physicians, nurses, hospital administrators, and other support positions, work tirelessly every day to ensure the best health outcomes for their patients; and

WHEREAS, in the interest of public health and safety at the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, Inova Loudoun Hospital and Inova Ashburn Healthplex implemented extra safety precautions in its emergency rooms, including screening patients outdoors upon arrival and reconfiguring its Lansdowne emergency room to separate respiratory patients; and

WHEREAS, beyond providing exemplary medical care, the frontline health care workers at Inova Loudoun Hospital and Inova Ashburn Healthplex have displayed remarkable compassion by helping patients' family members connect with their loved ones despite patient visitation restrictions imposed by the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, since March 2020, Inova Loudoun Hospital has treated more than 1,000 patients hospitalized with COVID-19, while Inova Ashburn Healthplex has been integral to Inova Health System's testing of more than 210,000 Virginians for the disease; and

WHEREAS, Inova Loudoun Hospital has partnered with the Loudoun County Health Department to administer COVID-19 vaccinations to Inova staff, Loudoun County first responders, and other members of the community, and Inova Health System has already administered more than 140,000 doses of vaccine since the middle of December; and

WHEREAS, Inova Health System's dedication to the health and well-being of the community long preceded the COVID-19 pandemic, as the organization provided more than \$388 million in community investment, including \$108 million in at-cost charity care to uninsured and underinsured patients, in 2019 alone; and

WHEREAS, the staff and frontline health care workers at Inova Loudoun Hospital and Inova Ashburn Healthplex continue to rise to the challenges presented by the COVID-19 pandemic, inspiring the community and reminding all of why the Commonwealth is wonderful place to live; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Inova Loudoun Hospital and Inova Ashburn Healthplex hereby be commended for the excellent care and service they have provided to patients and patients' families both before and during the COVID-19 pandemic; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to representatives of Inova Loudoun Hospital and Inova Ashburn Healthplex as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for their contributions to the Commonwealth.