## **HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 586**

Commending Ronan Bates.

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

WHEREAS, Ronan Bates, a sophomore at Justice High School in Fairfax County, completed his Eagle Scout service project in November 2020 and will achieve the prestigious rank of Eagle Scout, the highest rank in Scouts BSA, in March 2021; and

WHEREAS, Ronan Bates joined a limited number of Scouts who have met the standards of excellence necessary to achieve the rank of Eagle Scout by earning a minimum of 21 merit badges, demonstrating Scout spirit and leadership in his troop, and planning and coordinating a service project; and

WHEREAS, for his Eagle Scout service project, Ronan Bates adapted a project he completed in fifth grade for his International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme and built an outdoor classroom for Belvedere Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, Ronan Bates's outdoor classroom will provide students with an environment more conducive to learning about ecology and environmental issues, as well as provide an in-person instruction space that allows for social distancing during the COVID-19 pandemic; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Ronan Bates hereby be commended on attaining the rank of Eagle Scout in Scouts BSA; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Ronan Bates as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for his accomplishments and best wishes for the future.