HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 426

Commending Sangster Elementary School.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, March 8, 2022 Agreed to by the Senate, March 9, 2022

WHEREAS, Sangster Elementary School, an outstanding public primary school in Springfield, received a 2021 National Blue Ribbon School award from the United States Department of Education; and

WHEREAS, the National Blue Ribbon Schools Program selects winning schools based on multiple criteria, with Sangster Elementary School earning the award for its high achievement in reading and mathematics during the 2018-2019 academic year; and

WHEREAS, Sangster Elementary School was recognized for its work to close the achievement gap in mathematics for students who receive special education services by 15 percent; and

WHEREAS, Sangster Elementary School has served young people in Fairfax County since 1958 and was one of seven schools in the Commonwealth to receive the prestigious National Blue Ribbon School award; and

WHEREAS, Sangster Elementary School is committed to helping students build a foundation for lifelong learning and grow academically, socially, and emotionally; it has fulfilled its critical mission through the hard work of its faculty and staff members and with the support of parents, families, and community partners; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Education honored Sangster Elementary School and the other National Blue Ribbon Schools at a special award ceremony in November 2021; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Sangster Elementary School on its selection as a National Blue Ribbon School by the United States Department of Education; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Sangster Elementary School as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the school's achievements in service to young people in Fairfax County.