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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 591

Offered January 26, 2023

Commending Loudoun County High School.

Patrons—Reid, Delaney, Gooditis, Murphy and Subramanyam

WHEREAS, Loudoun County High School greatly supported female cancer patients across the country through its involvement in the Barnett-Searing National Cancer Foundation's Smile Kits project in 2022; and

WHEREAS, in recent years, different clubs at Loudoun County High School, including the National Honor Society, Future Business Leaders of America, and Interact, have organized fundraisers to participate in the Smile Kits project of the Barnett-Searing National Cancer Foundation (BSNCF); and

WHEREAS, the BSNCF Smile Kits project involves sending care packages of items such as clothing, lip balm, art supplies, blankets, handmade holiday ornaments, and notes of encouragement to cheer up women of all ages across the nation who are battling cancer; and

WHEREAS, despite losing school partners in the early stages of the Smile Kits drive, Loudoun County High School students managed to raise enough money to produce 758 care packages, far surpassing their total of 400 care packages from the previous year; and

WHEREAS, the accomplishments of Loudoun County High School were made possible through the generous support of individuals in the community, the Daybreak Rotary Club, and members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in the Leesburg area, including a single donation of \$3,000; and

WHEREAS, Loudoun County High School's efforts were facilitated by the school's self-contained special education program, which helped to organize, inventory, and sort donations as they arrived; and

WHEREAS, on December 10, 2022, more than 70 students gathered at Loudoun County High School to arrange the Smile Kits care packages, with approximately 175 kits going in the mail that day; and

WHEREAS, many of the care packages assembled by Loudoun County High School students were ultimately donated to cancer treatment centers in Northern Virginia, bringing a touch of brightness to an untold number of local families' holiday seasons; and

WHEREAS, by demonstrating great compassion and concern for the well-being of others, students and staff at Loudoun County High School serve as an inspiration to all Virginians; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Loudoun County High School for its participation in the Barnett-Searing National Cancer Foundation's Smile Kits project in 2022; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the students and staff of Loudoun County High School as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for their achievements and their contributions to the Commonwealth.

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