## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 757**

Commending the Reverend Lois Bias.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 21, 2023 Agreed to by the Senate, February 23, 2023

WHEREAS, the Reverend Lois Bias, co-pastor of Bringing God's Word to Life Ministries in Richmond and owner and principal of Precious Blessing Academy and Rhema Preparatory Academy in Richmond, has greatly served the community for many years; and

WHEREAS, as a faith leader at Bringing God's Word to Life Ministries, Lois Bias has provided her congregation with uplifting guidance, wise leadership, and abundant opportunities for community outreach, including food distributions in collaboration with the Feed More food bank; and

WHEREAS, Lois Bias has led Precious Blessing Academy and Rhema Preparatory Academy in Richmond for 23 years, contributing greatly to her students' academic, emotional, and spiritual growth; and

WHEREAS, Lois Bias emphasizes individualized learning at her schools, wherein teachers develop a deeper understanding of their students to aid in their efforts to educate them, enabling the students to achieve their full potential; and

WHEREAS, though sharing a campus, Precious Blessing Academy and Rhema Preparatory Academy are designed and operated independently, facilitating Lois Bias' goal of promoting individualized learning in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, through her steadfast dedication to both her congregation and her students, Lois Bias has demonstrated extraordinary compassion and concern for the well-being of others; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Reverend Lois Bias for her legacy of service in the Richmond community; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Reverend Lois Bias as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for her contributions to the Commonwealth.