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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 288

Offered February 7, 2023

3 *Commending Paula Bandy.* **4**

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WHEREAS, Paula Bandy, an accomplished business and marketing educator at Richlands High
School and longtime advisor to the District 2 chapter of Virginia DECA, Inc., has greatly served the
Richlands community for more than 40 years; and

9 WHEREAS, a member of the Richlands High School Class of 1964, Paula Bandy studied at East
10 Tennessee State University and the Southwestern College of Business and graduated from Milligan
11 University in 1968; and

WHEREAS, Paula Bandy's first stint as a business educator at Richlands High School was from
13 1969 to 1973; she then taught marketing at the school from 1984 to today, contributing greatly to the
future success of her students; and

WHEREAS, over her years at Richlands High School, Paula Bandy coached the cheer team, leadingthe program to a second place finish at the James Madison University cheer competition in 1989; and

17 WHEREAS, Paula Bandy has promoted the field of marketing education as a former member of the
18 Virginia Education Association, the National Education Association, and the Virginia Association of
19 Marketing Educators; and

WHEREAS, Paula Bandy was an advisor to the District 2 chapter of Virginia DECA, Inc., formerly
 Distributive Education Clubs of America, garnering a tremendous array of accolades and awards over
 her tenure, including 13 state wins between 1989 and 2016 and national finalist honors in 2007; and

WHEREAS, under Paula Bandy's leadership, District 2 was a national DECA promotional campaign
 winner and earned recognition from Virginia DECA on several occasions, including as a platinum
 chapter in 2015 and with a membership award in 2022; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of her 40 years of service as a DECA advisor, Paula Bandy was honored
and awarded a commemorative plaque by the National DECA Association during the organization's
International Career Development Conference in Atlanta in 2022; and

WHEREAS, outside of the classroom, Paula Bandy has served as the pianist and choir director at
 Jewell Ridge Presbyterian Church since 1996, providing beautiful and uplifting music for the benefit of
 the congregation; and

WHEREAS, Paula Bandy has demonstrated an unwavering dedication to her students' academic,
 social, and emotional well-being over an extraordinary career spanning more than four decades, earning
 the esteem of all Virginians; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Paula Bandy, a beloved educator at Richlands High
 School and advisor to the District 2 chapter of Virginia DECA, hereby be commended for her service;
 and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution
 for presentation to Paula Bandy as an expression of the House of Delegates' appreciation for her
 contributions to the Commonwealth.

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