## 2023 SESSION

## **HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 448**

Commending the Osbourn Park High School Competition Robotics Team 2068.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 24, 2023

WHEREAS, the Osbourn Park High School Competition Robotics Team 2068 of Manassas in Prince William County won Trophy Class honors at the Virginia High School League robotics state championship showcase on May 23, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Osbourn Park Competition Robotics Team 2068 was one of only three teams to earn Trophy Class honors at the first-ever robotics competition to be held under the purview of the Virginia High School League (VHSL); and

WHEREAS, the Osbourn Park Competition Robotics Team 2068, or the Metal Jackets, were initially organized as the school's For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology (FIRST) Robotics Competition team; and

WHEREAS, Osbourn Park Metal Jackets played a pivotal role in advocating for robotics to be regarded as a sport by the VHSL, and team president Jack Palmer and Prince William County Public Schools' robotics and science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) coordinator Denyse Carroll sat on the panel that developed the rules and rubrics for the league's robotics events; and

WHEREAS, the VHSL robotics championship evaluates each competing school by their body of work in robotics over a single school year; teams submit a portfolio to be judged by a panel of experts in the field and are recognized with either Trophy Class, First Class, or Second Class awards based on the established rubric; and

WHEREAS, the accomplishments of the Osbourn Park Metal Jackets are the results of the hard work and dedication of the student-engineers, the leadership and guidance of their teachers, and the unwavering support of their families and the Osbourn Park High School community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That the Osbourn Park High School Competition Robotics Team 2068 hereby be commended for placing in the Trophy Class at the 2022 Virginia High School League robotics state championship showcase; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Osbourn Park High School Competition Robotics Team 2068 as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for their achievements.