

# 1996 SESSION

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## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 56

*Commending Missy Haney.*

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, January 19, 1996  
Agreed to by the Senate, January 25, 1996

WHEREAS, for 15 years, Missy Haney has taught English as a Second Language at J.E.B. Stuart High School in Fairfax County; and

WHEREAS, her sensitive and dedicated work at J.E.B. Stuart, with the largest English as a Second Language department in Fairfax County, was recognized by the University of Virginia's Curry School of Education Foundation, which named her the Outstanding Secondary School Teacher of the Year for 1995; and

WHEREAS, this nationwide prize, open to Curry School graduates, recognizes exemplary teaching and professionalism; and

WHEREAS, a native of Arlington, Missy Haney teaches students from as far away as Mexico, Israel and Vietnam, using patience, compassion, sensitivity and discipline to deal successfully with the wide range of cultures and backgrounds represented by her students; and

WHEREAS, long one of the most popular and beloved teachers at J.E.B. Stuart, Missy Haney's relationships with her students often continue beyond their high school years, as her former students stay in touch, seek her counsel and even invite her to their weddings; and

WHEREAS, Missy Haney's singular dedication to her diverse students has led her to develop a social studies curriculum for English as a Second Language students, a curriculum that has become a model for teachers across the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, with the increasing diversity of students in Virginia's public schools, especially in Northern Virginia, the rare talents and unflagging devotion of Missy Haney become ever more valuable; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly warmly congratulate Missy Haney on her prestigious and well-earned Teacher of the Year honor; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Missy Haney as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration and gratitude for her extraordinary dedication to the youth of Virginia.

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