HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 61

Commending the Northern Virginia Soil and Water Conservation District.

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

WHEREAS, the Northern Virginia Soil and Water Conservation District's stature as one of the most outstanding among some 3,000 such districts in the United States has long been recognized; and

WHEREAS, the Northern Virginia Soil and Water Conservation District is a three-time Grand Award winner in the annual Conservation Awards Program sponsored jointly by the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company and the National Association of Conservation Districts (NACD); and

WHEREAS, the latest Grand Award honor for the Northern Virginia Soil and Water Conservation District occurred in the 47th annual Conservation Awards Program; and

WHEREAS, since 1947 the Goodyear/NACD Conservation Awards Program has encouraged and rewarded local efforts to protect and conserve soil, water, forests, wildlife and other precious natural resources; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of its many wide-ranging achievements in the conservation of invaluable and irreplaceable natural resources, the Northern Virginia Soil and Water Conservation District was chosen from among the Commonwealth's 45 conservation districts as a Grand Award winner for the third time in 1994; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly congratulate the Northern Virginia Soil and Water Conservation District for winning this prestigious award and commend it as a model for other conservation districts throughout the Commonwealth and the nation; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Northern Virginia Soil and Water Conservation District in appreciation of its efforts to promote measures by which our important environment will be protected and our irreplaceable natural resources may be conserved.