## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 78**

Commending Virginia Commonwealth University Institute for Women's Health.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, January 11, 2008 Agreed to by the Senate, January 17, 2008

WHEREAS, Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) Institute for Women's Health is commended on its continuing commitment to provide quality health care for the citizens of the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, VCU Institute for Women's Health was designated a National Center of Excellence in Women's Health in November 2003 by the United States Department of Health and Human Services; and

WHEREAS, VCU Institute for Women's Health is one of only 20 National Centers of Excellence across the country; and

WHEREAS, the National Centers of Excellence in Women's Health designees serve as models for the nation in providing innovative, comprehensive, multidisciplinary, and integrated health care systems for women across their life spans; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the VCU Institute for Women's Health is to improve the health of women through clinical care, research, health education, community outreach, and leadership development; and

WHEREAS, VCU's community-campus partnerships afford an opportunity to develop effective community models for improving the health of women in Virginia; and

WHEREAS, the VCU Institute for Women's Health was awarded Certificates of Excellence from the Department of Health and Human Services for the establishment of a comprehensive multidisciplinary clinical care center for women, interdisciplinary women's health and gender-based research, training and professional education activities, community outreach activities, and for its designation as a National Center of Leadership in Academic Medicine; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend and congratulate Virginia Commonwealth University Institute for Women's Health on its designation as a National Center of Excellence in Women's Health; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the leadership of Virginia Commonwealth University Institute for Women's Health as an expression of the General Assembly's gratitude for the organization's many outstanding accomplishments and its mission to improve the health of all Virginians through improving the health of women.