## 14104379D

## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 254

Offered February 3, 2014

Commending the Franklin County Perinatal Education Center.

## Patron—Poindexter

WHEREAS, the Franklin County Perinatal Education Center, a nonprofit organization providing childbirth and child health education to women and their families, has served the residents of the Counties of Franklin, Patrick, and Henry for 15 years; and

WHEREAS, the Franklin County Perinatal Education Center was established by Amy Pendleton, a former high school teacher who saw a growing need among young women, parents, and families in the community for guidance and counseling on issues related to childbirth; and

WHEREAS, founded in 1999, the Franklin County Perinatal Education Center offers classes on a variety of topics, such as childbirth preparation, infant CPR, and home safety; today, Amy Pendleton is a respected resource to the members of the community, known for sharing her knowledge and always working to help those in need; and

WHEREAS, the Franklin County Perinatal Education Center also works to support members of the community by providing free diapers, baby formula, baby clothes, and child safety equipment to low-income families; and

WHEREAS, the Franklin County Perinatal Education Center has received generous support from businesses, charitable organizations, and individuals in the area, many of whom offered time and materials to help the center renovate its current building in Rocky Mount; and

WHEREAS, succeeding in the mission to ensure that childbirth is a joyful event, Amy Pendleton and the Franklin County Perinatal Education Center have touched countless lives in the region; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Franklin County Perinatal Education Center on the occasion of its 15th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Amy Pendleton, executive director of the Franklin County Perinatal Education Center, as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the center's dedication to serving women, children, and families in the community.