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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 46

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Commending Angela Ammerman.

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WHEREAS, Angela Ammerman, an outstanding music teacher and orchestra director at Annandale High School, has been named the 2015 - 2016 Virginia Orchestra Director of the Year by the American String Teachers Association; and

WHEREAS, from the time she was in middle school, Angela Ammerman knew that music education was her calling; she has been a music teacher and orchestra director at the Fairfax County public school for four years; and

WHEREAS, Angela Ammerman is a graduate of the University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music; she earned a master's degree in music education from Boston University and is studying for a doctoral degree from George Mason University; and

WHEREAS, in striving to instill a lifelong passion for music in her students, Angela Ammerman helps to find a unique role for each of her students and encourages them to feel proud of their accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, Angela Ammerman's classroom at Annandale High School is a "home away from home" for many budding musicians who have named her room Ammermania; they find a place to relax in the room's family-like atmosphere; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her work in the classroom, Angela Ammerman was recognized by the American String Teachers Association for helping to organize a concert that raised more than \$10,000 to benefit a student in need; and

WHEREAS, Angela Ammerman also founded the Future Music Educators Camp for young people interested in pursuing a career teaching music and coordinated a college night program designed especially for students considering majoring in music; and

WHEREAS, besides her teaching duties, Angela Ammerman co-conducts the Annandale Full Symphony whose members are orchestra and band students, and she also made presentations at the 2015 meeting of the International Society for Philosophy of Music Education in Germany; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Angela Ammerman, orchestra director at Annandale High School, for being named the 2015 - 2016 Virginia Orchestra Director of the Year by the American String Teachers Association; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Angela Ammerman as an expression of the General Assembly's congratulations and admiration for her enthusiasm and commitment to educating young musicians in the Commonwealth.

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