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## WHEREAS, students throughout the Commonwealth and the United States face extreme challen such as peer pressure to abuse drugs and alcohol, negative influences in the media, school violence gang activities, and low self-esteem; and WHEREAS, the students of Virginia are indeed the Commonwealth's single greatest resource, ar the coming years will assume leadership positions in this Commonwealth and responsibility for advancement of society; and WHEREAS, Virginians are encouraged to pray for protection, guidance, and peace, and opportunities and blessings on the students of Virginia; and

17 WHEREAS, it is appropriate that prayer be offered for schools, teachers, and administrators that they
18 be granted wisdom and knowledge as they impart to the students of Virginia the great lessons of life
19 and morality and the education that each student deserves; now, therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly designate
 21 the first weekend in August, in 2017 and in each succeeding year, as the Weekend of Prayer over
 22 Students in Virginia; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates post the designation of this
 weekend on the General Assembly's website.

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## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 762**

Offered January 16, 2017

Designating the first weekend in August, in 2017 and in each succeeding year, as the Weekend of Prayer over Students in Virginia.

Patrons—Campbell, Garrett and O'Quinn

Referred to Committee on Rules