HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 762

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

> Agreed to by the House of Delegates, January 24, 2017 Agreed to by the Senate, February 14, 2017

WHEREAS, students throughout the Commonwealth and the United States face extreme challenges, such as peer pressure to abuse drugs and alcohol, negative influences in the media, school violence and gang activities, and low self-esteem; and

WHEREAS, the students of Virginia are indeed the Commonwealth's single greatest resource, and in the coming years will assume leadership positions in this Commonwealth and responsibility for the advancement of society; and

WHEREAS, Virginians are encouraged to pray for protection, guidance, and peace, and for

opportunities and blessings on the students of Virginia; and

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

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly designate the first weekend in August, in 2017 and in each succeeding year, as the Weekend of Prayer over 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.