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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 964

Offered February 14, 2017

Commending Tunstall High School.

Patrons—Adams and Marshall, D.W.; Senators: Ruff and Stanley

WHEREAS, Tunstall High School, an outstanding public school in Pittsylvania County, was the only public high school in Virginia to be named a 2016 National Blue Ribbon School by the United States Department of Education; and

WHEREAS, Tunstall High School was one of 329 public and private schools, and one of only 54 high schools, selected to receive the prestigious honor; only seven schools in the Commonwealth were nominated for the award; and

WHEREAS, named for the Honorable Whitmell P. Tunstall, an attorney and public servant in the state legislature, Tunstall High School provides a safe, supportive environment for students to prepare for success in higher education and careers and learn to become good citizens of the Commonwealth and the United States; and

WHEREAS, as an award recipient in the High Performing Schools category, Tunstall High School ranks among the Commonwealth's best-performing schools as measured by state and national assessments; and

WHEREAS, Tunstall High School places an emphasis on individualized instruction, and students may choose from nearly 170 course offerings, including 34 courses that offer dual enrollment credits and 23 Advanced Placement courses; and

WHEREAS, Tunstall High School students have demonstrated a mastery of challenging academic concepts, and its educators are committed to professional development and leadership in and out of the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Tunstall High School achieved the National Blue Ribbon School award through the hard work of its students, faculty, administrators, and staff and all the members of the school community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Tunstall High School for being named a National Blue Ribbon School in 2016; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Tunstall High School as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the school's commitment to lifelong learning and academic excellence.

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