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### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 193

Offered February 2, 2018

*Commending Joanne Leslie Webster.*

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WHEREAS, Joanne Leslie Webster has served the Virginia Council for Private Education since 1998 as an independent contractor, accreditation manager, vice president, and executive director; and

WHEREAS, Joanne "Josie" Leslie Webster's visionary management and leadership has elevated the Virginia Council for Private Education (VCPE) and significantly improved the quality of private education in the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, Josie Webster's attention to detail and tireless focus on quality and accountability has resulted in great improvements to the system of accreditation for member schools and associations; and

WHEREAS, Josie Webster has advanced the role of private education in the Commonwealth through her advocacy and personal relationships with legislators, their staff, and the Virginia Department of Education; and

WHEREAS, Josie Webster's dedicated involvement and understanding of early childhood education issues has advanced policies and accreditation standards of Virginia's private schools; and

WHEREAS, private education in Virginia has reached a significant level of credibility as a result of Josie Webster's advocacy, her knowledgeable voice, and her professionalism; and

WHEREAS, Josie Webster has worked successfully with the diverse VCPE Board of Directors to achieve consistency of direction and clarity of purpose; and

WHEREAS, Josie Webster has served the VCPE with great integrity and dedication, making personal sacrifices to achieve remarkable results for private education in Virginia; and

WHEREAS, Josie Webster leaves VCPE with a strong and professional reputation among member schools, member associations, the Council for American Private Education, the Virginia Department of Education, and other state officials; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Joanne Leslie Webster on the occasion of her retirement as executive director of the Virginia Council for Private Education; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Joanne Leslie Webster as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for her distinguished service and exceptional leadership.

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