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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 391

Offered February 27, 2018

Commending Patrick C. Kinlaw.

Patrons—VanValkenburg, Adams, D.M., Bagby, Bourne, Ingram, McGuire, McQuinn and Rodman;
Senators: Dunnavant and McClellan

WHEREAS, Patrick C. Kinlaw, a respected leader in the Henrico education community, is retiring on June 30, 2018, as superintendent of Henrico County Public Schools after decades of service as an educator in North Carolina and Virginia; and

WHEREAS, Patrick Kinlaw received his bachelor's degree from East Carolina University, a master's degree in education administration from East Carolina University, and a doctorate in educational leadership from the University of Virginia; and

WHEREAS, dedicating time early in his career at Longwood University and East Carolina University, Patrick Kinlaw spent 12 years with Wake County Public Schools in North Carolina in a variety of roles; and

WHEREAS, in 1997, Patrick Kinlaw began his career with Henrico County Public Schools as the director of staff development; in 2004, he became the assistant superintendent for administrative services; and in 2010, he was named deputy superintendent, acquiring additional responsibilities, including policy, elementary education, leadership development, and special projects; and

WHEREAS, in 2014, Patrick Kinlaw was unanimously chosen by the school board as superintendent of Henrico County Public Schools, the sixth largest public school division in Virginia, where he oversaw more than 6,000 employees, with 72 schools and program centers serving more than 50,000 students; and

WHEREAS, under Patrick Kinlaw's leadership, Henrico County Public Schools began to frame the school division's work around the four cornerstones of student safety, academic progress, closing gaps, and relationships; in 2017, the number of fully state-accredited schools in Henrico County rose to 54 out of 67 elementary, middle, and high schools—the highest number of fully accredited schools in five years; and

WHEREAS, in 2017, Henrico County Public Schools also received a national honor for remaking its Code of Student Conduct and related student support systems; it was one of five large school systems in the United States recognized by the National School Boards Association with a first-place Magna Award "for taking bold and innovative steps to improve the lives of students and their communities"; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Patrick C. Kinlaw on the occasion of his retirement as superintendent of Henrico County Public Schools; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Patrick C. Kinlaw as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his service to Henrico County, particularly to its students and their families.

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