

2018 SESSION

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 445

Commending 1st Stage Tysons Theatre.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, March 7, 2018

Agreed to by the Senate, March 9, 2018

WHEREAS, for 10 years, 1st Stage Tysons Theatre has enriched cultural life in Fairfax County; and
WHEREAS, entire communities and regions benefit greatly and in many ways from exposure to and participation in vibrant arts, theatrical, and cultural scenes; communities are especially well-served by the educational benefits offered by theatres, such as 1st Stage Tysons Theatre, and related arts; the Commonwealth of Virginia is committed to supporting artistic excellence and encouraging growth in artistic quality for the benefit of all Virginians; and

WHEREAS, in 2008, a group of educators, artists, and actors came together under the leadership of Mark Krikstan, founding artistic director of 1st Stage Tysons Theatre, to create an organization that would bridge educational and professional theatre; and

WHEREAS, in just 10 years, 1st Stage Tysons Theatre has grown from a grassroots collective of local artists to an award-winning institution with national recognition; and

WHEREAS, through the continued determination and dedicated efforts of artistic director Alex Levy and a growing community of patrons, supporters, and volunteers, 1st Stage Tysons Theatre brings vibrant, compelling, and relevant work to Northern Virginia; and

WHEREAS, 1st Stage Tysons Theatre features world-class professional performances that are accessible and affordable and that generate myriad opportunities for the cultural enrichment and education of the community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend 1st Stage Tysons Theatre on the occasion of its 10th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Alex Levy, artistic director of 1st Stage Tysons Theatre, as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the organization's contributions to the residents of Fairfax County.

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