

2019 SESSION

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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 328

Commending Salem High School.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 19, 2019

WHEREAS, Salem High School, an outstanding public secondary school in Virginia Beach, has helped students grow and develop academically and socially for 30 years; and

WHEREAS, Salem High School opened in September 1989 with Wylie French as the first principal; earlier in the year a group of future students and parents selected the Sun Devil as the school's mascot; and

WHEREAS, Salem High School's distinctive seal was created in 1996 with iconography representing academics, the fine arts, and athletics; a lighthouse and a sun with seven rays representing Virginia Beach and its seven boroughs; and clasped hands depicting unity between the school and the community; and

WHEREAS, Salem High School has given generations of Virginia Beach students the tools to achieve success in higher education and careers and become responsible citizens of the Commonwealth and a global society; and

WHEREAS, since 2004, Salem High School has been home to the Visual and Performing Arts Academy, a magnet program where students from throughout Virginia Beach can study music, dance, theatre, and visual arts; and

WHEREAS, Salem High School has fulfilled its mission through the hard work of its faculty, administrators, and staff, as well as the support of parents, families, local partners, and community members; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Salem High School hereby be commended on the occasion of its 30th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Salem High School as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for the school's commitment to academic excellence and service to the Virginia Beach community.

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