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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 242

Offered February 17, 2020

Commending Ilryong Moon.

Patrons—Filler-Corn, Bulova, Delaney, Keam, Kory, Murphy, Plum, Samirah, Sickles, Simon, Sullivan, Tran and Watts; Senators: Barker, Boysko, Ebbin, Favola, Howell, Marsden, Petersen, Saslaw and Surovell

WHEREAS, Ilryong Moon, a longtime public servant, gave admirably of his time and talents as a member-at-large of the Fairfax County School Board for nearly 20 years; and

WHEREAS, serving as board chairman in 2006, 2012, and 2013, and board vice chairman in 2005, 2011, and 2019, Ilryong Moon was a steady and influential presence on the Fairfax County School Board for many years; and

WHEREAS, immigrating to the United States from Korea at the age of 17, Ilryong Moon graduated from T.C. Williams High School in Alexandria before earning a bachelor's degree from Harvard University and a juris doctorate from The College of William & Mary; and

WHEREAS, overseeing a diverse student population speaking over 200 different languages, Ilryong Moon's personal experience provided an important perspective to the Fairfax County School Board and bolstered its efforts to serve students of all backgrounds; and

WHEREAS, the Fairfax County School Board adopted the Ignite Strategic Plan in 2015 to close achievement gaps and implemented the One Fairfax policy in 2017 to make social and racial equity issues part of the decision-making process at county schools, both initiatives championed by Ilryong Moon; and

WHEREAS, policies supported by Ilryong Moon, such as expanding kindergarten to full days and eliminating Monday early release in 2014, have helped countless working parents in Fairfax better manage the logistical and financial challenges of raising a family; and

WHEREAS, beyond his service to the Fairfax County School Board, Ilryong Moon has practiced law for many years as a partner of Moon, Park & Associates; served his community as a member of the Annandale Rotary Club and the United Way; and provided expertise on the Fairfax County Planning Commission, the Governor's Urban Policy Taskforce, and the Virginia Advisory Committee of the United States Commission on Civil Rights; and

WHEREAS, the citizens and students of Fairfax County are indebted to Ilryong Moon for dedicating nearly two decades to making Fairfax County Public Schools a leader in public education; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Ilryong Moon, committed public servant, for his many years of service to the Fairfax County School Board; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Ilryong Moon as an expression of the General Assembly's profound respect and deep admiration for his contributions to Fairfax County and the Commonwealth.