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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 142

Offered February 20, 2020

*Commending the Richmond County School Board.*

Patrons—McDougle and Reeves; Delegate: Ransone

WHEREAS, the Richmond County School Board was named the Virginia School Board Association's School Board of the Year in 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Virginia School Board Association (VSBA), a voluntary organization of school boards that encourages education excellence through advocacy, training, and services, honors one extraordinary member, such as the Richmond County School Board, each year for its efforts and accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, the Richmond County School Board was presented the award by former VSBA president Tyrone Foster at the 2019 VSBA Annual Convention in Williamsburg, an event attended by school board members, superintendents, division administrators, and education officials from around the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, evaluating nominees in the areas of policy development, application, and monitoring; community engagement and advocacy; community and business partnerships; student achievement; and board development activities, the VSBA judges distinguished the Richmond County School Board for its ability to cultivate a culture of success throughout its schools and community; and

WHEREAS, by effectively responding to the challenge of providing an outstanding education to its students, both within a healthy and safe environment and in a fiscally responsible manner, the Richmond County School Board offers a model toward which all education leaders may aspire; and

WHEREAS, with the mission to raise its students to be "lifelong learners, independent thinkers, and responsible citizens," the Richmond County School Board has made immeasurable contributions to the future of Richmond County and the Commonwealth; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Richmond County School Board for being named the 2019 School Board of the Year by the Virginia School Board Association; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to John Brown, chair of the Richmond County School Board, as an expression of the General Assembly's profound respect and admiration for the board's service on behalf of the children and families of Richmond County.

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