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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 154

Offered February 24, 2020

Commending Triangle Elementary School.

Patrons—Surovell; Delegates: Carroll Foy and Torian

WHEREAS, Triangle Elementary School, in the division of Prince William County Public Schools, celebrated its 60th anniversary in 2019; and

WHEREAS, opened in 1959, Triangle Elementary School relocated to a new school building in 2010, marking a new chapter in the school's history; and

WHEREAS, Triangle Elementary School's vision is "Building Champions Together," as the school draws on its many stakeholders, including teachers, administrators, parents, and members of the community, to cultivate a safe, equitable, and welcoming learning environment for all of its students; and

WHEREAS, with a chorus class, a robotics program, before-school and after-school tutoring, and one of only two elementary after-school band programs in the division, Triangle Elementary School offers its students a well-rounded education and several outlets for their creativity; and

WHEREAS, promoting diversity and inclusiveness through its curriculum, Triangle Elementary School encourages positive student behavior with initiatives like Principal Geoffrey Deavers' "Caught Ya Being Good" program, in which students receive awards from the principal following teacher referrals for acts of kindness and good deeds; and

WHEREAS, staff at Triangle Elementary School closely track the school's performances at every grade level through the quarterly Principal's High Expectation Assemblies, where achievements are shared and challenges are proactively discussed; and

WHEREAS, Triangle Elementary School benefits from an active and engaged parent-teacher organization, which holds fundraisers like dances and movie nights to support school activities and endeavors; and

WHEREAS, other events that bring the Triangle Elementary School community together include an annual book fair, Title I Nights, and "Family Engagement Night," which is to be held for the first time this March to encourage family participation in the school's many courses and programs; and

WHEREAS, with more than 775 students and 60 teachers and staff, two autism-support programs, two special education programs, and a full-day pre-kindergarten program, Triangle Elementary School ably serves a large and diverse community; and

WHEREAS, Triangle Elementary School has been named a School of Excellence four times in the past 10 years, a testament to the school's commitment to providing an exceptional and rewarding educational experience for its students; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Triangle Elementary School, which has served countless students and families in Prince William County with integrity and kindness, on the occasion of its 60th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Geoffrey Deavers, principal of Triangle Elementary School, as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration and respect for the school's contributions to Prince William County and the Commonwealth.

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