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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 547

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Commending HealthWorks for Northern Virginia.

Patrons—Subramanyam, Delaney, Murphy and Reid

WHEREAS, HealthWorks for Northern Virginia, a federally qualified health center serving the Counties of Loudoun and Fairfax, responded quickly and comprehensively to the needs of the community at the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, HealthWorks implemented its COVID-19 testing program within two weeks of the pandemic's arrival in Northern Virginia and since that time has provided free testing to both HealthWorks's patients and members of the community who do not have a primary care provider; and

WHEREAS, HealthWorks rapidly established a robust telehealth program to ensure its patients would have access to comprehensive health care services while public health mandates limited the availability of in-person appointments; and

WHEREAS, HealthWorks designed and installed comprehensive safety features at its clinics to accommodate critical in-person appointments, including newborn physicals, pediatric vaccinations, sick child visits, dental care procedures, and other services; and

WHEREAS, since March 2020, HealthWorks has enrolled 5,105 new patients who otherwise might not have access to medical, dental, or mental health care; and

WHEREAS, throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, HealthWorks's nurses, doctors, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, and other staff have provided safe, welcoming, compassionate, accessible, and culturally and linguistically competent health care services to nearly 21,000 Northern Virginians, including the provision of more than 4,000 COVID-19 tests; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That HealthWorks for Northern Virginia hereby be commended for its efforts to promote the health and well-being of the community throughout the COVID-19 pandemic; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to representatives of HealthWorks for Northern Virginia as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for its achievements in service to citizens of the Commonwealth.

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