## 2021 SPECIAL SESSION I

## **HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 587**

Commending the staff of the Loudoun County Public Schools COVID-19 vaccine point of distribution.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 27, 2021

WHEREAS, the staff of the Loudoun County Public Schools COVID-19 vaccine point of distribution have admirably served the Commonwealth during the unprecedented public health crisis by safely and effectively administering the COVID-19 vaccine to Loudoun County Public Schools staff; and

WHEREAS, Loudoun County Public Schools (LCPS) has collaborated with the Loudoun County Health Department and the Loudoun County Office of Emergency Management to establish and operate its COVID-19 vaccine point of distribution (POD), constructing the temporary clinic at Brambleton Middle School in Ashburn in only three days; and

WHEREAS, the staff of the LCPS COVID-19 vaccine POD began administering vaccinations on January 15, 2021, and within three weeks had administered the first dose of the vaccine to nearly 10,500 LCPS employees; and

WHEREAS, the LCPS COVID-19 vaccine POD is staffed by 80 members of LCPS Student Health Services, including more than 40 registered nurses, and has delivered nearly 1,000 inoculations per day when operating at full capacity; and

WHEREAS, in addition to administering vaccinations and implementing COVID-19 mitigation strategies, the staff of the LCPS COVID-19 vaccine POD have provided onsite mental health and wellness support and language interpretation services as necessary; and

WHEREAS, LCPS Student Health Services, led by supervisor Jeannie Kloman and specialist Kelly Thomas, coordinated with the Loudoun County Health Department to direct and assist nurses at the LCPS COVID-19 vaccine POD; and

WHEREAS, members of LCPS leadership, including Clark Bowers, director of the Office of Student Services; Brian Stocks, director of Support Services; Justin Donovan, director of Digital Experience; and Scott Davies, director of the Transportation Division, have played an outsized role in ensuring the safe and smooth operation of the LCPS COVID-19 vaccine POD; and

WHEREAS, along with supporting efforts at the LCPS COVID-19 vaccine POD, LCPS Student Health Services staff continue to foster the health and well-being of the district's students, while LCPS Student Assistance Services staff have developed virtual programs to provide students with substance abuse prevention and intervention strategies, an initiative that is particularly valuable at a time when COVID-19 has exacerbated the problem of substance abuse in the community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That the staff of the Loudoun County Public Schools COVID-19 vaccine point of distribution hereby be commended for demonstrating an inspirational commitment to the community during 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 the staff of the Loudoun County Public Schools COVID-19 vaccine point of distribution as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for their noteworthy contributions to the Commonwealth.