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Offered February 2, 2022

Commending Erin Rettig.

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WHEREAS, Erin Rettig, a school counselor at Ridge Elementary School in Henrico County, was named the Elementary School Counselor of the Year by the Virginia School Counselor Association on April 30, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Virginia School Counselor Association presented the award to Erin Rettig during an event at Ridge Elementary School on April 30, 2021, and subsequently honored her as part of its annual conference in October 2021; and

WHEREAS, the award recognizes Erin Rettig's ability to implement a comprehensive school counseling program based on the American School Counselor Association's guidelines and her accomplishments in promoting the value of her profession in the community; and

WHEREAS, Erin Rettig is a Virginia Beach native who earned a bachelor's degree in psychology from James Madison University and a master's degree in school counseling from Virginia Commonwealth University before joining the staff of Ridge Elementary School in 2004; and

WHEREAS, Erin Rettig was certified in school counseling in 2020 by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards, one of the highest distinctions of her profession and an indication of her unwavering commitment to her work; and

WHEREAS, Erin Rettig brings exceptional enthusiasm every day to her role at Ridge Elementary School, fostering an inclusive and supportive environment in which both students and faculty can thrive; and

WHEREAS, through her steadfast dedication to her students and fellow educators, Erin Rettig has helped countless young people succeed both in and out of the classroom; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Erin Rettig for being named the Virginia School Counselor Association's 2021 Elementary School Counselor of the Year; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Erin Rettig as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for her contributions to the Commonwealth.