HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 446

Commending Patrick & Henry Community College.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, March 8, 2022 Agreed to by the Senate, March 9, 2022

WHEREAS, Patrick & Henry Community College, a public community college in Martinsville, has provided young men and women with outstanding educational opportunities for 60 years; and

WHEREAS, Patrick & Henry Community College was founded in 1962 as part of the University of Virginia's School of General Studies and became an independent two-year college in 1964; and

WHEREAS, Patrick & Henry Community College has expanded and grown significantly over the years, adding new facilities for the education and training of a competent workforce and adding degree programs ranging from the fine arts to manufacturing and engineering technology; and

WHEREAS, Patrick & Henry Community College joined the Virginia Community College System in 1971 and is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and

Schools; and

WHEREAS, Patrick & Henry Community College offers accredited programs for nursing and has worked to build a pipeline for qualified and capable nurses to serve local health care institutions after graduation; and

WHEREAS, Patrick & Henry Community College has created an accredited emergency medical services and paramedic program to further enhance public safety in the community; and

WHEREAS, the faculty of Patrick & Henry Community College have worked tirelessly to instill in their students the institution's core values and foster an ability to contribute to society by teaching and

learning, demonstrating integrity and respect, and supporting communication and collaboration; and WHEREAS, Patrick & Henry Community College has faithfully served and educated thousands of students in its history and has enriched local life in Martinsville and Henry County through its commitment to excellence; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Patrick & Henry Community College on the occasion of its 60th anniversary of educating young men and women and serving the communities of Southwest and Southside Virginia; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Patrick & Henry Community College as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the institution's contributions to the Martinsville community and the Commonwealth.