2022 SPECIAL SESSION I

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 670

Commending Jordan Markwood.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, June 1, 2022

WHEREAS, Jordan Markwood, choral director and fine arts department chair at Rock Ridge High School in Loudoun County, was named Teacher of the Year by *The Washington Post* in 2022; and

WHEREAS, in preparation for his career as an educator, Jordan Markwood earned a bachelor's degree in music from Houghton College and a master's degree in vocal pedagogy and performance from Westminster Choir College of Rider University; and

WHEREAS, Jordan Markwood has served as choral director at Rock Ridge High School for the past eight years, where he has contributed greatly to the success of his students both in and out of the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Jordan Markwood showed special care and concern for the well-being of his students by canceling their fall concert in favor of building community and helping them acclimate to in-person schooling; and

WHEREAS, Jordan Markwood has displayed extraordinary dedication to his students by ensuring that they are able to continue to include the arts in their academic pursuits; and

WHEREAS, Jordan Markwood was chosen for *The Washington Post* Teacher of the Year Award from among 18 finalists across the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area; and

WHEREAS, through his tireless efforts and unwavering devotion to his students, Jordan Markwood has made a meaningful impact on the Rock Ridge High School community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Jordan Markwood hereby be commended for receiving the 2022 *The Washington Post* Teacher of the Year Award; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Jordan Markwood as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for his accomplishments and best wishes for his future endeavors.

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