

2022 SESSION

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 155

Commending Thomas Geary, Ph.D.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, January 31, 2022
Agreed to by the Senate, February 3, 2022

WHEREAS, Thomas Geary, Ph.D., esteemed professor of English at Tidewater Community College, will receive the Outstanding Faculty Award from the State Council of Higher Education and Dominion Energy at a ceremony on March 1, 2022; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Geary is one of 12 recipients in the Commonwealth to be selected from a pool of 85 nominations for the State Council of Higher Education's distinguished prize, which annually recognizes professors who embody the highest ideals and standards of teaching, scholarship, and service; and

WHEREAS, a professor of English at the Virginia Beach campus of Tidewater Community College, Thomas Geary's classes on composition, rhetoric, technical writing, developmental writing, and the humanities have illuminated countless young minds and primed his students to lead successful and fulfilling lives; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Geary serves as the editor of *Inquiry*, a peer-reviewed journal for faculty, staff, and administrators of the Commonwealth's community colleges, fostering a lively and informative discourse for the benefit of the journal's readers; and

WHEREAS, dedicated to the pursuit of excellence in the field of English education, Thomas Geary serves as an elected representative on the Delegate Assembly of the Modern Language Association and as an executive committee member of the Two-Year College English Association; and

WHEREAS, through his steadfast commitment to the students and faculty at Tidewater Community College, Thomas Geary has demonstrated the profound impact one can have when they answer the call to teach; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Thomas Geary, Ph.D., for receiving the 2022 Outstanding Faculty Award from the State Council of Higher Education and Dominion Energy; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Thomas Geary, Ph.D., as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his contributions to the Commonwealth.

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