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## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 179

Offered March 10, 2022

*Commending Kyung Mi Kay Choi.*

Patron—Guzman

WHEREAS, Kyung Mi Kay Choi, a French and Korean language educator at C.D. Hylton High School in Prince William County, received the Ailee Moon Award from the Foundation for Korean Language and Culture in 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Foundation for Korean Language and Culture presented Kay Choi with this distinguished honor to recognize her efforts to promote the study of Korean language and culture as well as her pursuit of excellence in her profession; and

WHEREAS, Kay Choi is on the faculty of Prince William County Public Schools' Center for International Students and Languages at C.D. Hylton High School, preparing students to excel as members of an increasingly global society; and

WHEREAS, Kay Choi, who has taught French for 16 years, including at the advanced placement level, initiated the Korean language course at C.D. Hylton High School in 2015, making the school the first in its division to offer such a program; and

WHEREAS, since teaching her first class of 30 students in 2015, Kay Choi has developed Korean language curriculum for levels one through four, allowing those interested to continue progressing toward fluency in Korean while gaining a deeper understanding of Korean history and culture; and

WHEREAS, Kay Choi's Korean language courses continue to grow in popularity, and today, the program as a whole has 90 non-heritage students on its roster who have elected to study Korean; and

WHEREAS, Kay Choi has developed collaborative and interactive educational experiences for her students by arranging for liaisons of the Korean Embassy in Washington, D.C., to make annual visits to her classes; and

WHEREAS, in addition to leading the Korean Cultural Club at C.D. Hylton High School, Kay Choi has supported her students' extracurricular ambitions by sponsoring many of their study abroad pursuits, including with the U.S. Department of State's National Security Language Initiative for Youth and the Korean Government's Global Korea Scholarship Invitation Program for International Students; and

WHEREAS, through steadfast dedication to her students and the program she built, Kay Choi has made a profound and lasting impact on both the C.D. Hylton High School community and the Prince William County community at large; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Kyung Mi Kay Choi, a French and Korean language educator at C.D. Hylton High School, hereby be commended for receiving the 2022 Ailee Moon Award from the Foundation for Korean Language and Culture; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Kyung Mi Kay Choi as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for her contributions to the Commonwealth.

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