

2022 SESSION

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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 223

Commending Iona Spikes.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, March 11, 2022

WHEREAS, Iona Spikes greatly serves students and families in Fairfax County as director of equity and family engagement for Fairfax County Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, as a member of the leadership development team of Fairfax County Public Schools' Office of Professional Learning and Family Engagement, Iona Spikes has managed administrators' induction programs, coached school leaders, and collaborated with various teams to facilitate professional learning; and

WHEREAS, formerly a diversity, equity, and inclusion consultant and organizational development specialist for corporations and nonprofit organizations, Iona Spikes has advanced equity and diversity in Fairfax County Public Schools through her service on various committees; and

WHEREAS, prior to Fairfax County Public Schools, Iona Spikes worked with Baltimore Gas & Electric, the District of Columbia Metro Police, and Hope Baltimore to develop racially inclusive and safe workspaces, actions to promote gender equity, and strategies to foster community care; and

WHEREAS, Iona Spikes' educational leadership includes service as an executive principal for the Abu Dhabi Educational Council and as a principal in Baltimore City Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of her success in the classroom, Iona Spikes and the schools where she has served have been the recipients of several accolades and awards; and

WHEREAS, Iona Spikes earned her doctoral degree in educational leadership from Nova Southeastern University, a master's degree in instructional design and technology from Walden University, a master's degree in educational leadership and secondary social studies education at Widener University, and a bachelor's degree in political science at Temple University; and

WHEREAS, Iona Spikes has been an ambassador for equity and an advocate for children and families throughout her career and promises to make a positive and lasting impact on the Fairfax County community through her work with Fairfax County Public Schools; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Iona Spikes hereby be commended for her service as director of equity and family engagement for Fairfax County Public Schools; and, be it

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

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