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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 170

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Commending the McIntire School of Commerce at the University of Virginia.

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WHEREAS, 2021 marked the 100th anniversary of the McIntire School of Commerce at the University of Virginia, which educates and inspires innovative business leaders to use commerce to strengthen and advance communities across the Commonwealth, the nation, and the world; and

WHEREAS, the McIntire School of Commerce has advanced the ideals responsible for how commerce can be used as a catalyst for creating positive and lasting change through inspirational vision, ethical consideration, and profound humility; and

WHEREAS, 100 years ago, the McIntire School of Commerce began by offering courses in fundamental business subjects, but its curriculum evolved into its renowned, top-ranked Bachelor of Science in Commerce degree program, which is now complemented by three interdisciplinary minors; and

WHEREAS, the McIntire School's unparalleled Integrated Core Experience is a cutting-edge curriculum characterized by an intellectual and practical rigor rarely found at the undergraduate level, carefully constructed to provide students with the technical, analytical, strategic thinking, and behavioral skills they need to successfully tackle real-world business problems; and

WHEREAS, the McIntire School has built five inventive and internationally acclaimed graduate programs, originating with the M.S. in Accounting degree program, the first such program in the Commonwealth to receive accounting accreditation, and followed later by the M.S. in Commerce degree program, which *The Economist* recently named the top-ranked U.S.-based master's in management program and the sixth worldwide; and

WHEREAS, the McIntire School has shown its dedication to scholarship through the establishment and development of seven dynamic research centers that engage University of Virginia faculty and students and members of industry across the Commonwealth and beyond, encouraging intrepid research, critical collaboration, and the ongoing exploration of new knowledge; and

WHEREAS, throughout its 100-year history, the McIntire School of Commerce has been led by five successful and resolute deans and, for generations, McIntire faculty have remained committed scholars who contribute new knowledge across traditional business disciplines and emerging areas while inspiring students to lead with integrity and purpose when confronting society's grand business challenges; and

WHEREAS, across 100 classes, the McIntire School has graduated enterprising and engaged members of the business community who assume responsibility for using commerce for the common good to balance economic growth, create job opportunities, remove barriers, and, most importantly, improve the standard of living for people across the globe; and

WHEREAS, for a century, the community of McIntire School alumni and friends have unequivocally supported the legacy and lasting success of the school through their generous contributions of time, talent, and treasure, propelling it forward into its next century; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the McIntire School of Commerce at the University of Virginia on the occasion of its 100th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the McIntire School of Commerce at the University of Virginia as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for its many contributions to the Commonwealth and its unparalleled commitment to preparing innovative business leaders across the world.

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