## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 403**

Commending Cora Reed.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, March 8, 2022 Agreed to by the Senate, March 9, 2022

WHEREAS, Cora Reed, a beloved crossing guard at Lyles-Crouch Traditional Academy in Alexandria, was honored as one of the Commonwealth's Most Outstanding Crossing Guards by the Virginia Department of Transportation's Safe Routes to School program on February 9, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the award was presented to Cora Reed at a Crossing Guard Appreciation Day ceremony attended by school officials, parent-teacher association leadership, and representatives from the Alexandria City Police Department, the Alexandria City Public Schools chapter of Safe Routes to School, Alexandria Families for Safe Streets, and the Alexandria Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS, Cora Reed has been a crossing guard with Alexandria City Public Schools for nearly 50 years, becoming an integral part of the Lyles-Crouch Traditional Academy community by ensuring its students arrive to and depart from school safely each and every day; and

WHEREAS, Cora Reed has reliably carried out her post through rain or shine over the years, exuding a positive and encouraging attitude that has been a bright spot in the lives of countless students and parents; and

WHEREAS, Cora Reed has promoted public safety at Lyles-Crouch Traditional Academy by instructing students on proper pedestrian behavior and by advocating for the use of speed bumps and traffic cones to foster a more protective environment around the school; and

WHEREAS, through her unflagging commitment to the safety and well-being of the students under her care, Cora Reed has helped to make Alexandria a more wonderful place to live, work, and learn; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Cora Reed, a crossing guard at Lyles-Crouch Traditional Academy in Alexandria, for being named one of the Commonwealth's Most Outstanding Crossing Guards by the Virginia Department of Transportation's Safe Routes to School program; and, be it

RÉSOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Cora Reed as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for her dedicated service in support of students and families of the Commonwealth.