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Commending Hayfield Elementary School.

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WHEREAS, Hayfield Elementary School, an outstanding public primary school in Alexandria, has helped young people develop a strong foundation for lifelong learning for 55 years; and

WHEREAS, built on land that was once owned by President George Washington and later sold to his cousin, Lund Washington, Hayfield Elementary School opened in 1967 and was modeled after Spring Hill Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, Hayfield Elementary School opened with an enrollment of 295 students and was equipped with 20 classrooms, two activity rooms, a conference hall, offices, a cafeteria, an audio-visual center, and a library; and

WHEREAS, in 1972, Hayfield Elementary School converted the library into a science lab and created a new media center, along with a gymnasium, a music room, and 10 additional classrooms; and

WHEREAS, Hayfield Elementary School began offering school-age child care services in 1991 and conducted a school-wide renovation in 2000 that resulted in the construction of new classrooms and a courtyard; and

WHEREAS, Hayfield Elementary School currently enrolls nearly 650 students and strives to provide a safe, nurturing environment in which all students can grow academically, socially, and emotionally; and

WHEREAS, Hayfield Elementary School's vision statement, NEST (Nurture, Educate, Soar, Thrive), guides the school's curriculum and programs, ensuring that students have the tools and support to achieve their fullest potential in and out of the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Hayfield Elementary School has fulfilled its mission through the hard work and dedication of its faculty and staff and the generosity of parents, family members, and community partners; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Hayfield Elementary School on the occasion of its 55th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Hayfield Elementary School as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the school's legacy of contributions to the Alexandria community.