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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 798

Offered July 17, 2024

*Commending Envision Lead Grow.*

Patron—

WHEREAS, Envision Lead Grow, a nonprofit organization based in Portsmouth, has empowered women and girls throughout Hampton Roads, the Commonwealth, and the nation to become successful entrepreneurs; and

WHEREAS, Envision Lead Grow was founded in 2016 by Dr. Angela D. Reddix, the owner of an award-winning health care management and information technology consulting firm, to increase equity, a sense of ownership, and an appreciation for the importance of scholarship and investment among women and girls in historically disadvantaged communities; and

WHEREAS, Envision Lead Grow began by offering a pilot program, “The 8 Seeds to Success in Business,” at Kempsville High School's Entrepreneurship and Business Academy, and in 2017, the organization launched a bus tour with stops in Norfolk and Richmond, as well as cities in Maryland, Pennsylvania, North Carolina, Tennessee, and Georgia; and

WHEREAS, the members of Envision Lead Grow serve students with integrity, compassion, and authenticity, using evidence-based models to demonstrate the ways entrepreneurship can not only create personal financial stability but enhance the lives of students' families and have a positive impact on their communities; and

WHEREAS, Envision Lead Grow has continued to strengthen its core programming and began offering virtual components to serve even more students, reaching thousands of women and girls in all 48 contiguous states; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Envision Lead Grow hereby be commended for its successful programs that provide economic empowerment to women and girls in underserved communities in Hampton Roads and beyond; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Dr. Angela D. Reddix, founder of Envision Lead Grow, as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for the organization's vital mission and legacy of achievements.

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