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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 511
Offered January 21, 2025

Commending Sarah Routsis.

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WHEREAS, Sarah Routsis, an educator and senior internship coordinator in the Entrepreneurship and Business Academy at Kempsville High School in Virginia Beach, was named her school's Teacher of the Year in 2024; and

WHEREAS, Sarah Routsis graduated from Kempsville High School (KHS) in 2006, earned a degree from Longwood University, and has been teaching with Virginia Beach City Public Schools for the past 12 years; and

WHEREAS, after returning to KHS, Sarah Routsis first taught the introduction course in the school's Entrepreneurship and Business Academy (EBA); since 2019, she has overseen the program's internship course, providing her students with engaging real-world experiences in which they can apply their lessons from the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Sarah Routsis works tirelessly to hone the EBA curriculum according to the latest teaching methodologies and to establish connections in the community that produce meaningful internship opportunities and other educational activities for her students; and

WHEREAS, Sarah Routsis's laudable efforts have fostered her students' confidence and abilities and prepared them for success both in the classroom and in their future careers; and

WHEREAS, beyond her role with the EBA, Sarah Routsis supports the KHS community as an advisor for Future Business Leaders of America, member of the cyber security team, lead representative on the principal's advisory committee, secretary of the EBA Foundation board, and member of the graduation committee; and

WHEREAS, through her unwavering commitment to the well-being of her students, Sarah Routsis has exemplified the highest ideals of the education profession and earned the esteem and admiration of all Virginians; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Sarah Routsis hereby be commended for being named the Kempsville High School Teacher of the Year in 2024; and, be it

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