## **HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 844**

Commending Stephanie Roble.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 21, 2025

WHEREAS, Stephanie Roble, an exceptional athlete with ties to the Commonwealth, has brought immense pride to both Virginia and the United States through her achievements in the sport of sailing; and

WHEREAS, Stephanie Roble began her sailing journey at the age of five on a small lake in Wisconsin, but refined her skills at Old Dominion University (ODU), where she served as captain of the sailing team, earned two Most Valuable Player honors, was recognized as a two-time All-American, and completed a degree in finance; and

WHEREAS, Stephanie Roble has distinguished herself as a world-class sailor, securing multiple national and international championships, earning the title of 2014 Rolex Yachtswoman of the Year, and being inducted into the ODU Hall of Fame in 2021; and

WHEREAS, Stephanie Roble has proudly represented Team USA on the world's biggest stage as a two-time Olympian in the 49erFX women's skiff class, competing in the Tokyo 2020 and Paris 2024 Olympic Games, earning medals at the Pan American Games, and achieving a world ranking of third; and

WHEREAS, beyond her competitive success, Stephanie Roble is a mentor and motivator, using her experiences to inspire and empower others to push beyond their limits and strive for excellence while embodying the highest values of perseverance, leadership, and dedication; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Stephanie Roble hereby be commended for her outstanding achievements in sailing and her contributions to the Commonwealth and beyond; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Stephanie Roble as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for her many achievements and best wishes for her continued success.