HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 889

Commending the Monacan High School swimming program.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, April 2, 2025

WHEREAS, in 2018, Monacan High School in Chesterfield County formed the first girls' and boys' swim teams, which have competed in the Virginia High School League for eight years; and

WHEREAS, throughout their tenure, the Monacan High School girls' swimming team has won the Virginia High School League (VHSL) Region 4B championship for the past eight seasons, continuing their undefeated streak in 2025; and

WHEREAS, in 2019, just after one year of being formed, the Monacan High School girls' swimming team earned their first VHSL Class 4 state championship; and

WHEREAS, the Monacan High School girls swimming team went on to win six VHSL Class 4 state championships, including in 2025, making this year the fourth consecutive year that the Monacan High School girls swimming team has brought home a state title; and

WHEREAS, during the 2025 VHSL Class 4 state championship, Monacan High School girls' swimming team secured first place in the 200-yard medley relay with an All-American time and VHSL Class 4 state championship record time, as well as first place in the 400-yard freestyle relay with an All-American time and VHSL Class 4 state championship record time; and

WHEREAS, during the 2025 VHSL Class 4 state championship, six swimmers placed in the top eight and two swimmers placed first in four out of the eight individual events, with Piper Price placing first in the 200-yard individual medley and 100-yard breaststroke and securing All-American times for both events and Emerson Callis placing first in the 100-yard backstroke and the 100-yard butterfly, also securing All-American times for both; and

WHEREAS, two swimmers from the Monacan High School girls' swimming team hold Class 4 State records, Raegan Canada in the 100-yard freestyle and Emerson Callis in both the 100-yard backstroke and the 200-yard individual medley; and

WHEREAS, the Monacan High School boys' swimming team are three-time VHSL Region 4B champions; and

WHEREAS, the Monacan High School boys' swimming team has secured a first runner-up placement and placed third in the VHSL state championship three times in the last eight years; and

WHEREAS, during the 2025 VHSL Class 4 state championship, the Monacan High School boys' swimming team placed first in the 200-yard medley relay; and

WHEREAS, during the 2025 VHSL Class 4 state championship, three swimmers placed in the top eight and one swimmer, Cooper Dillman, placed first in both the 500-yard freestyle and the 100-yard backstroke; and

WHEREAS, between the boys' and girls' swimming teams, Monacan High School's swimming program has produced 14 All-American athletes, 23 collegiate swimmers, and two individuals who have gone on to Olympic Qualifying Trials since its inception; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That the Monacan High School swimming program hereby be commended for their showing at the 2025 Virginia High School League state championship and their legacy of excellence over the past eight seasons; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Monacan High School swimming program as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for the dedication, tenacity, and exemplary work ethic of all the student-athletes, coaches, and support personnel over the years and best wishes for continued success in the years to come.