

# 2024 SPECIAL SESSION I

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## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 995

*Commending the New E3 School.*

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, October 29, 2025

WHEREAS, the New E3 School of Norfolk recently marked a decade of innovation, excellence, and achievement in advancing equitable early childhood education across the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, founded in 2014 by E3: Elevate Early Education in the Park Place neighborhood of Norfolk, the New E3 School was created as a bold and innovative mixed-income model for children ages one to five, proving that when children have access to high-quality early education, regardless of other circumstances, they enter kindergarten prepared to thrive; and

WHEREAS, the New E3 School has served as both a classroom and a catalyst, raising awareness, advocating for policy change, and demonstrating through practice and outcomes that equitable access to early education transforms lives and strengthens communities; and

WHEREAS, the New E3 School has become a statewide model for excellence with its STREAM approach, integrating science, technology, reading, engineering, arts, and math, as well as its commitment to hands-on, inquiry-based learning that encourages curiosity, collaboration, and problem-solving; and

WHEREAS, the New E3 School's teachers play a vital role in fostering students' creativity, critical thinking, communication, and innovation, ensuring each child is supported and motivated to reach their fullest potential; and

WHEREAS, through data-driven instruction and continuous improvement, the New E3 School consistently exceeds statewide benchmarks in classroom quality and child outcomes, showing measurable gains in literacy, math, self-regulation, and social-emotional development; and

WHEREAS, the success of the New E3 School has influenced historic state investments in early childhood education, establishing it not only as a high-quality learning environment but also as a model for policy innovation and educational equity throughout the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, the New E3 School has fulfilled its mission through the visionary leadership of its administrators, the hard work and dedication of its teachers, and generous support from community partners; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That the New E3 School hereby be commended on the occasion of its 10th anniversary for its transformative work on behalf of Virginia's children; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the New E3 School as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for its ongoing contributions to early education in the Commonwealth.

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