

2024 SPECIAL SESSION I

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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 817

Commending the Lake Braddock Secondary School theater program.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates July 18, 2024

WHEREAS, the Lake Braddock Secondary School theater program in Burke received "Best Play" and "Best Props Design" awards during the Fairfax County Public Schools' Critics and Awards Program gala at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts on June 10, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Fairfax County Public Schools' Critics and Awards Program, commonly known as the Cappies, is a chapter of an international program that empowers students to develop their abilities as theater critics; as part of the program, the student-critics present awards each season across 39 categories to participating theater programs and actors; and

WHEREAS, the Lake Braddock Secondary School Bruins received 15 Cappies nominations and earned "Best Play" and "Best Props Design" for their production of Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet*; and

WHEREAS, the Lake Braddock Bruins' production of *Romeo and Juliet* drew more than 3,500 attendees during its run and was celebrated by Cappies critics for both the quality of its execution and its ability to immerse the audience in this timeless tale; and

WHEREAS, the accomplishments of the Lake Braddock Bruins are the result of the hard work and dedication of the student-actors and student-theater technicians, the leadership and guidance of their director and teachers, and the unwavering support of their families and the entire Lake Braddock Secondary School community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That the Lake Braddock Secondary School theater program hereby be commended for winning "Best Play" and "Best Props Design" at the 2024 Fairfax County Public Schools' Critics and Awards Program gala; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Lake Braddock Secondary School theater program as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for the program's achievements.

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