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**Board Matter**

**Recognizing Marshall High School Senior Ilia Malinin  
for Landing the First Quadruple Axel in History**

Members of the Board,

Seventeen-year-old G.C. Marshall Senior Ilia Malinin made figure skating history on September 14, 2022 when he successfully landed the first quad axel in competition while winning the lower-level U.S. Classic in Lake Placid, New York. Ilia is the first and only skater to land a quad axel, which is widely regarded as the hardest jump in figure skating, as well as the first to land a fully rotated one in international competition.

Ilia began skating in 2010 under the guidance of his parents, who were both Olympic skaters for Uzbekistan. He started competing in 2015 and has garnered many accomplishments throughout his career. He is the 2022 World Junior champion, 2021 Junior Grand Prix France champion, and 2021 Junior Grand Prix Austria champion. He currently holds the world junior record for the men's short program, men's free skate, and men's combined score. Ilia is making his Fairfax County community proud, and we hope to see him continue to succeed in figure skating and beyond.

Therefore, I move to recognize and commend Ilia Malinin for his spintacular achievement, and request that the Office of Public Affairs prepare a certificate of recognition to be presented at a time appropriate.