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Commending the James River Advisory Council on the occasion of the 10th anniversary of the James River Regional Cleanup.

Patron—Ware, R.L.

WHEREAS, the James River Advisory Council's mission is to promote and protect the James River as one of Central Virginia's greatest natural assets and one of America's most unique and historic rivers; and

WHEREAS, the James River Advisory Council's vision is to unite the community by supporting and promoting the James River as a shared resource and enhancing its environmental health, beauty, heritage, economic vitality, and recreational value; and

WHEREAS, in an ongoing effort to improve the state of the river, the 10th Annual James River Regional Cleanup, sponsored by the James River Advisory Council, will be held Saturday, June 13, 2009; and

WHEREAS, the James River Regional Cleanup events have benefited from the outstanding support of thousands of volunteers who have collected thousands of bags of trash and recyclable materials along 75 miles of the James River and tributaries within its watershed; and

WHEREAS, the James River Regional Cleanup continues to grow and includes numerous official cleanup sites in nine localities in the region; and

WHEREAS, the 2009 theme for the event is "Cleaning Up the Source," which is focused on educating people throughout the region about where litter originates in the watershed; and

WHEREAS, more than 60 organizations, localities, and businesses partner with the James River Advisory Council to coordinate the regional event, which requires months of planning; and

WHEREAS, the James River Advisory Council's 10th Annual James River Regional Cleanup is an excellent opportunity for citizens to celebrate, volunteer, and work together to preserve and enhance the James River as a shared resource for generations to come; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the James River Advisory Council on 10 years of coordinating this important cleanup effort for the Central Virginia region; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the James River Advisory Council as an expression of the General Assembly's appreciation for the Council's work to enhance and maintain the James River as a common resource for the region.

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