## 096881618 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 901

Offered February 12, 2009

Commending Paul O. Hirschbiel, Jr.

 Patrons—Mathieson, Alexander, Armstrong, Bouchard, Howell, A.T., Iaquinto, Knight, Lewis, Melvin, Miller, P.J., Plum, Purkey, Shannon and Spruill; Senators: Miller, Y.B., Northam, Stolle and Wagner

WHEREAS, Paul O. Hirschbiel, Jr., an admired Virginia Beach businessman and community benefactor, is recognized for his passion and commitment to helping families and children in need in Hampton Roads; and

WHEREAS, Paul Hirschbiel is the owner and president of Eden Capital, a Virginia Beach firm that provides consulting and investing services to for-profit and not-for-profit organizations; and

WHEREAS, Paul Hirschbiel is involved in many civic and charitable activities that focus on early childhood initiatives that help to ensure that all Virginia's youngest citizens can begin kindergarten healthy and ready to succeed; and

WHEREAS, Paul Hirschbiel serves as the enthusiastic board chairman of Smart Beginnings South Hampton Roads, which was created to provide low-income families with access to quality early child care, education, and other vital services; and

WHEREAS, Paul Hirschbiel generously gives his time and expertise to many local organizations, serving as a member of the board of directors of the Norfolk Foundation and the Eastern Virginia Medical School Foundation; and

WHEREAS, an inspirational leader and community benefactor, Paul Hirschbiel has received many awards and accolades over the years for his innovative efforts to improve the quality of life of his fellow citizens in Hampton Roads, and he is the worthy recipient of the 2008 Darden Award for Regional Leadership by the CIVIC Leadership Institute; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly commend Paul Hirschbiel for his visionary leadership and his continual efforts to help families in need; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Paul Hirschbiel as an expression of the General Assembly's gratitude for his dedication to helping Virginia's children.