SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 414

Commending the Virginia Governmental Employees Association.

Agreed to by the Senate, February 12, 2009 Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 20, 2009

WHEREAS, the Virginia Governmental Employees Association was incorporated in Richmond, Virginia, in 1959 by a group of dedicated state employees to establish effective communication between the General Assembly and the employees of the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, for the past 50 years, the Virginia Governmental Employees Association has helped to promote effective government through a quality state workforce; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Virginia Governmental Employees Association have dedicated themselves to the service of the citizens of the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, the Virginia Governmental Employees Association has served its members and all state employees by providing timely information on issues that affect the careers of the state's public servants; and

WHEREAS, the Virginia Governmental Employees Association has provided a vehicle to recognize the outstanding achievements of many of the state's finest public employees through its outstanding public employees awards program, which recognizes heroic acts and unusual dedication; and

WHEREAS, the Virginia Governmental Employees Association has served as the face of state employees before the General Assembly, the Governor's office, and the citizens of Virginia, providing the information and education necessary to assist the General Assembly in making appropriate decisions regarding compensation and benefit programs for the employees of the Commonwealth; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly commend and congratulate the Virginia Governmental Employees Association on the occasion of its 50th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Virginia Governmental Employees Association as an expression of the General Assembly's gratitude for the organization's commitment and outstanding service to the Commonwealth of Virginia and its dedicated employees.