

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 386

Commending Luck Companies.

Agreed to by the Senate, January 31, 2013
Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 1, 2013

WHEREAS, Sunnyside Granite was founded by Charles S. Luck, Jr., in 1923 to provide crushed stone for the construction of the newly created state highway system and is now in its third generation of family operation; and

WHEREAS, Luck Companies is the largest privately held, family-operated aggregate mining company in the nation and is one of the top crushed stone suppliers for road construction in the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, Luck Companies began as a single quarry called Sunnyside Granite in the West End of Richmond and now operates mining, manufacturing, retail, and wholesale facilities across Virginia, North Carolina, Maryland, the District of Columbia, and New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, Luck Companies was the first mining company in Virginia to convert from steam-powered equipment to electric-powered equipment in 1932; and

WHEREAS, Luck Companies began a legacy of technological pioneering in the mining industry with the introduction of computerized ticketing in its scale offices in 1972 and developed its first fully automated, unattended crushing plants in 1977; and

WHEREAS, Luck Companies opened its first architectural stone center in 1976, which would later become the Charles Luck Stone Center in 2007; and

WHEREAS, Luck Companies co-created the Virginia Department of Transportation's Quality Assurance Program and Statistical Quality Control Program in 1982; and

WHEREAS, Luck Companies developed one of the industry's first crisis management programs in 1991 and one of the first state-of-the-art computer monitoring systems for crushing operations in 1992; and

WHEREAS, Luck Companies acquired Lee Tennis in 1998, renaming it Har-Tru Sports in 2010; it continues to manufacture in Louisa County one of the most popular clay tennis playing surfaces in the world; and

WHEREAS, Luck Companies created Luck Development Partners, a land development company committed to using the company's land assets, to create sustainable, mixed-use developments; and

WHEREAS, Luck Companies held its first Leadership Symposium in 2011 to launch its new mission of Igniting Human Potential; and

WHEREAS, Luck Companies builds upon the foundation of its four core values—Leadership, Creativity, Commitment, and Integrity—to inspire its associates, customers, and communities to achieve their highest potential; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Luck Companies on the occasion of the 90th anniversary of its operations; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Charles S. Luck III and Charles S. Luck IV as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for their continued leadership of Luck Companies and contributions to the community.

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