HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 467

Commending Woodruff's Café and Pie Shop.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, March 5, 2014 Agreed to by the Senate, March 7, 2014

WHEREAS, Woodruff's Café and Pie Shop, a family-owned and -operated business in Monroe, has provided hospitality to the community for over half a century; and

WHEREAS, originally built by James Woodruff as a shelter for local school children to escape the elements as they waited for bus transportation, the building transformed into Woodruff's General Store in 1952; and

WHEREAS, the Woodruff's General Store became synonymous with hospitality, as James and Mary Woodruff would provide food for families and individuals in need, regardless of their ability to pay; and WHEREAS, in 1998, Angela Scott, daughter of James and Mary Woodruff, opened Woodruff's Café

and Pie Shop where the General Store once stood; and

WHEREAS, as a small business, Woodruff's Café and Pie Shop supports the community by buying locally grown produce from Morris Orchard; and

WHEREAS, in September 2013, Woodruff's Café and Pie Shop's apple pie received the honor of

being labeled the "best pie ever" by Southern Living Magazine; and

WHEREAS, with the help of Angela Scott's mother and sisters, Woodruff's Café and Pie Shop remains a family business; Darnelle Winston handles invoices and bookkeeping, Darnette Hill makes the shop's bestselling apple pie, Angela Scott is the head cook and proprietor, and Mary Woodruff continues to have a steady presence at the shop, sharing family stories and lively conversation with guests; and

WHEREAS, over the last 16 years, Woodruff's Café and Pie Shop has continued the family tradition of caring for one's neighbors by not only providing good food and great conversation, but also supporting local businesses and the citizens of Monroe; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby

commend Woodruff's Café and Pie Shop; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Angela Scott, proprietor of Woodruff's Café and Pie Shop, as an expression of the General Assembly's respect and admiration for the family's commitment to providing both quality products and hospitality to the members of the Monroe community.