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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 555

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Commending the Virginian Review.

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WHEREAS, in 2014, the *Virginian Review*, a well-established newspaper in the City of Covington, celebrates 100 years of providing valuable information to and working to enhance the quality of life of residents of the city and the surrounding region; and

WHEREAS, first published on August 10, 1914, as the *Covington Virginian*, the *Virginian Review* was founded by Richard F. Beirne, Jr., to keep local residents apprised of the events of World War I and promote "good roads, good schools, good churches"; and

WHEREAS, in 1988, the *Covington Virginian* purchased and merged with the *Daily Review*, and the *Virginian Review* was officially created in 1989; the newspaper originally delivered issues to the residents of the Town of Clifton Forge and the City of Covington and operated a motor route to serve subscribers in the surrounding counties; and

WHEREAS, throughout its storied history, the *Virginian Review* has worked to enhance the community by informing the public, calling attention to important issues, offering sound editorials, and facilitating open and honest government; and

WHEREAS, the *Virginian Review* has enjoyed the support of countless loyal subscribers over the years; as of 2014, the publisher is still owned and managed by descendants of Richard Beirne, each of whom works to carry on his legacy of the betterment of the entire community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That the *Virginian Review* hereby be commended for its many contributions to the Town of Clifton Forge, the City of Covington, and the Counties of Alleghany and Bath on the occasion of its 100th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the *Virginian Review* as an expression of the House of Delegates' congratulations and admiration for the newspaper's exceptional service to the Alleghany Highlands.

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