HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 579

Commending the Old Brogue.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, September 18, 2014

WHEREAS, for six years, the Old Brogue, an Irish restaurant in Great Falls, has hosted Military Appreciation Monday events to benefit groups, organizations, and foundations that support members of the military and their families; and

WHEREAS, Mike Kearney, the owner of the Old Brogue, and Bob Nelson of Keller Williams Realty in Great Falls began the monthly fundraising event as a way to show their patriotism and gratitude to the brave men and women who have sacrificed for their country; and

WHEREAS, on Military Appreciation Mondays, Bob Nelson and other generous cosponsors make a 10 percent donation on each dinner tab at the 5:30 and 7:30 seatings, and the restaurant also raises money through a door prize drawing; receiving support from the community, the event has grown to exceed 140 people, including restaurant regulars and first-time attendees; and

WHEREAS, the proceeds of Military Appreciation Mondays benefit a wide variety of causes, including the CIA Officers Memorial Fund and Our Military Kids, a nonprofit organization designed to provide support and recognition to military children; and

WHEREAS, the Old Brogue owes much of the success of the Military Appreciation Monday events to the loyalty and enthusiasm of its customers and many generous donations from the individuals, families, and businesses in the Great Falls area who have served as cosponsors; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That the Old Brogue hereby be commended on the success of its Military Appreciation Monday events to benefit members of the military and their families; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Mike Kearney, owner of the Old Brogue, as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the restaurant's commitment to helping those who have served and sacrificed to protect the Commonwealth and the United States.