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## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 833**

Offered January 26, 2017

3 Commending Marvin Garber.

Patrons-Landes; Senator: Hanger

6 WHEREAS, Marvin Garber, an admired community leader in Augusta County who has dedicated his7 life to the service of others, celebrated 70 years as a Ruritan in 2015; and

8 WHEREAS, since 1928, Ruritan Clubs have dedicated themselves to improving communities and9 building a better America through fellowship, goodwill, and community service; and

10 WHEREAS, impressed by the work the New Hope Ruritan Club was doing, Marvin Garber joined 11 the club in 1945, at which time the club had only 20 members, all of whom were farmers; and

WHEREAS, Marvin Garber joined the Bridgewater Virginia Ruritan Club in 1991; in addition to
maintaining 67 years of perfect attendance at monthly Ruritan meetings, he has also served as a club
president three times; and

WHEREAS, as a member of both clubs, Marvin Garber cleaned up litter on the highway, held
fundraising dinners to support charitable causes, and organized an initiative to encourage the local
government to install street lamps; and

18 WHEREAS, in the 1960s, Marvin Garber helped secure land and build a house to encourage a new doctor to join the community after the previous doctor had retired; the combination home and doctor's office was in use for 20 years; and

WHEREAS, Marvin Garber strives to inspire young people to a life of service and is a trusted
mentor and friend to many in the Augusta County community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby
commend Marvin Garber for his 70 years of service as a Ruritan; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution
for presentation to Marvin Garber as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his loyal
service to the residents of Augusta County.

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