## **HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 390**

Commending The PGA of America.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 17, 2017

WHEREAS, The PGA of America will host the KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship in Potomac Falls in May 2017, marking the first time the prestigious golf tournament has been held in the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, established in 1916, The PGA (Professional Golfers' Association) of America works to promote and enhance the game of golf and has grown to become the world's largest sports organization, with a dedicated staff of approximately 28,000 men and women, PGA members, and apprentices; and

WHEREAS, the KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship was first played at the Augusta National Golf Club in Georgia in 1937, making it the oldest major championship in senior golf; the prestigious tournament has been held in Oklahoma, Kentucky, Pennsylvania, Missouri, Michigan, and Indiana; and

WHEREAS, the 156-player field at the KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship is made up of golfers over the age of 50, and the tournament has drawn some of the biggest names in the game, including legends like Arnold Palmer and Jack Nicklaus; and

WHEREAS, the KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship will be held at Trump National Golf Club, Washington, D.C., in Potomac Falls from May 23 - 28, 2017; the par-72 course is built entirely along the Potomac River, offering beautiful vistas as well as unique challenges; and

WHEREAS, the KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship will bring an estimated 50,000 visitors to Northern Virginia over the course of the six-day, four-round event, for an anticipated economic impact of between \$25 million and \$35 million; the event will also grant more than 2,000 volunteers the opportunity to gain unprecedented access to the game of golf and make lifelong memories; and

WHEREAS, the KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship will bring national and international attention to the Northern Virginia community, with more than 12 hours of live television coverage to be broadcast to more than 100 countries on NBC and the Golf Channel; and

WHEREAS, in the long term, the KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship will help establish the National Capital area as a world-class destination for amateur and professional golfers and other events; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That The PGA of America hereby be commended on the occasion of the 2017 KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship in May 2017; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to The PGA of America as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for the organization's contributions to the game of golf.