

## 2017 SESSION

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### HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 430

*Commending The New Chesapeake Men for Progress Educational Foundation, Inc.*

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 20, 2017

WHEREAS, The New Chesapeake Men for Progress Educational Foundation, Inc., is a charity that provides scholarships, school supplies, and mentoring to minority youth in the City of Chesapeake; and

WHEREAS, The New Chesapeake Men for Progress Educational Foundation was founded in 2010 as the philanthropy arm of The New Chesapeake Men for Progress; and

WHEREAS, The New Chesapeake Men for Progress Educational Foundation's vision is to improve the social, educational, and economic prospects of youth and adults in Hampton Roads, especially those in the African American community; and

WHEREAS, The New Chesapeake Men for Progress Educational Foundation has awarded more than \$30,000 in scholarships and grants since its inception, helping many deserving and qualified minority students defray the costs of higher education; and

WHEREAS, The New Chesapeake Men for Progress Educational Foundation sponsors the Black Male Achievement and Scholarship Awards Breakfast and the Sponsors Recognition Reception, two annual programs that help to fund the nonprofit; and

WHEREAS, The New Chesapeake Men for Progress Educational Foundation is a caring, empathetic, and respectful organization that takes pride in embracing the values of leadership, integrity, excellence, and impact; and

WHEREAS, The New Chesapeake Men for Progress Educational Foundation is governed by a 10-member board of directors, which approves all scholarships and grants, and oversees the overall distribution of funds; and

WHEREAS, The New Chesapeake Men for Progress Educational Foundation strongly believes that youth are an important foundation of any society and that improving the lives of children ultimately enhances the community, the Commonwealth, and the nation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That The New Chesapeake Men for Progress Educational Foundation, Inc., hereby be commended on their laudable efforts to provide scholarships, school supplies, and mentoring to minority youth in the City of Chesapeake; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Dr. William E. Ward, president of The New Chesapeake Men for Progress Educational Foundation, Inc., as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for the organization's dedication to bettering the lives of the Commonwealth's youth and building better citizens of tomorrow.

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