

## 2017 SESSION

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### SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 406

Offered February 13, 2017

*Commending the Virginia Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs.*

Patrons—Norment, Deeds, Ebbin, Favola, Howell, Lewis, Locke, Mason, McClellan, Peake, Spruill, Stuart, Vogel, Wagner and Wexton; Delegates: Bagby, Bell, Richard P., Bloxom, Boysko, Byron, Carr, Cole, Davis, Freitas, Garrett, Helsel, Heretick, Herring, Hester, Hodges, Hope, Ingram, Jones, Keam, Krizek, Landes, Lindsey, Massie, Minchew, Morefield, Mullin, Orrock, Plum, Pogge, Rasoul, Simon, Stolle, Toscano, Tyler and Ware

WHEREAS, the Virginia Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs has made many contributions to the young people of the Commonwealth by supporting its more than 111 local Boys & Girls Clubs; and

WHEREAS, Boys & Girls Clubs provide valuable services to more than 75,000 school-aged children in 50 cities in Virginia; their goal is to enable all young people, especially those who need them most, to realize their full potential as productive, responsible, and caring citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Virginia Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs strives to enhance the work of Boys & Girls Clubs, to promote positive youth development across the Commonwealth, and to partner with other youth-serving agencies to form innovative joint programs; and

WHEREAS, utilizing proven youth development methods, leaders in Boys & Girls Clubs stress the importance of strong character and leadership, education and career advancement, and health and life skills; they encourage an appreciation for the arts and provide programs in sports, fitness, and recreation; and

WHEREAS, Boys & Girls Club programs promote a positive self-image and improved education, social, emotional, and cultural awareness while encouraging community involvement, strong moral values, and enhanced life management skills; and

WHEREAS, over the years, Boys & Girls Clubs in Virginia have encouraged young people to aspire to the highest levels of personal development and to become good citizens who are deeply involved in their communities; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Virginia Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs for the outstanding services it provides to children and their families; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Virginia Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the important work of all Boys & Girls Clubs in the Commonwealth.

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