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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 18

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Commending the Rotary Club of Chesapeake.

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Patrons—Hayes, Convirs-Fowler, James, Jones, S.C., Knight and Leftwich; Senators: Cosgrove and Spruill

WHEREAS, in 2017, the Rotary Club of Chesapeake celebrated 50 years of fellowship and service to its local community; and

WHEREAS, the Rotary Club of Chesapeake, a chapter of the Rotary International service organization, was chartered in 1967 with 25 members; today, it boasts more than 100 members who support philanthropic and community enrichment initiatives; and

WHEREAS, among the Rotary Club of Chesapeake's largest fundraising events is the Chesapeake Wine Festival, an annual, all-volunteer event that has raised over \$1 million for charities such as the Boys and Girls Club, the Chesapeake Care Free Clinic, and the Chesapeake Regional Health Foundation; and

WHEREAS, the Rotary Club of Chesapeake spearheads several other annual events, including a Christmas parade, a volunteer project to paint the homes of the less fortunate, and Coats For Kids, which provides warm winter coats for children in need; and

WHEREAS, in the spirit of its devotion to volunteerism, the Rotary Club of Chesapeake dispenses the First Citizen of Chesapeake Award each year to honor individuals who have made a lasting and positive impact on the local community; and

WHEREAS, the Rotary Club of Chesapeake celebrated its 50th anniversary in June 2017 at Greenbrier Farms, the site of its original meeting; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Rotary Club of Chesapeake on the occasion of its 50th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Rotary Club of Chesapeake as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for its longstanding service to the residents of Chesapeake.