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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 207

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Commending the Museum of Culpeper History.

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WHEREAS, in 2017, the Museum of Culpeper History celebrated 40 years of entertaining and educating visitors with exhibits, artifacts, and memorabilia about the history of the surrounding community; and

WHEREAS, originally called the Culpeper Cavalry Museum, the Museum of Culpeper History was founded in 1977; in 2000, it broadened its scope to include all people, places, and events that have shaped Culpeper's history; and

WHEREAS, the Museum of Culpeper History traces Culpeper's rich history from the time of the dinosaurs to the modern era; in addition to showcasing its permanent collection, the museum changes its exhibit cases several times a year to shine a light on new aspects of local history; and

WHEREAS, the Museum of Culpeper History's many artifacts include 215-million-year-old dinosaur tracks, stone tools and arrowheads from the Manahoac Native American tribe, Civil War weapons, a scale model of Culpeper County, and numerous maps, illustrations, and letters dating back to the colonial era; and

WHEREAS, after moving to a new location at a historic train depot in 2014, the Museum of Culpeper History added a special Kidz Discovery Zone for children; along with a variety of hands-on activities, the gallery features puppets, dinosaurs, puzzles, books, and games; and

WHEREAS, the Museum of Culpeper History attracts an average of some 12,000 visitors each year and has welcomed guests from all 50 states as well as 36 countries around the globe; and

WHEREAS, during its four decades in operation, the Museum of Culpeper History has delighted its visitors and promoted history, education, and preservation in Culpeper; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Museum of Culpeper History for its years of service to the local community on the occasion of its 40th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Museum of Culpeper History as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for its many achievements and best wishes for the future.

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