

2018 SESSION

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 358

Commending the Reston Community Orchestra.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, March 2, 2018

Agreed to by the Senate, March 6, 2018

WHEREAS, the Reston Community Orchestra, a volunteer orchestra that has educated and delighted audiences with its musical performances, celebrates its 30th anniversary during its 2017 - 2018 season; and

WHEREAS, the Reston Community Orchestra traces its roots to the late 1980s, when cellist Joellyn Kinzer proposed that a small group of local musicians form an orchestra to serve the Reston community; today, the orchestra features over 50 musicians of string, horn, woodwind, and percussion instruments; and

WHEREAS, Dingwall Fleary, a choral director, teacher, pianist, harpsichordist, organist, and chamber musician, has served as the Reston Community Orchestra's musical director and conductor since 1996; and

WHEREAS, under Dingwall Fleary's leadership, the Reston Community Orchestra has grown and evolved; it now offers five concerts each year, including an annual performance of works and spirituals inspired by the life of the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, the Reston Community Orchestra's performance repertoire has spanned the entire spectrum of orchestral music, including baroque, classical, romantic, and contemporary compositions; its 2017 - 2018 concert series features music by composers such as Gershwin, Haydn, and Tchaikovsky; and

WHEREAS, a grassroots organization that prides itself on serving the community, the Reston Community Orchestra does not charge admission fees for its regular concerts, and is fully funded by grants, donations, and member contributions; and

WHEREAS, the Reston Community Orchestra is a member of the Arts Council of Fairfax County, the Arts Alliance of Reston, and the American Society of Composers, Authors, and Publishers; and

WHEREAS, over the years, the talented volunteer musicians of the Reston Community Orchestra have entertained numerous audiences and helped promote art, culture, and music education in the Reston community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Reston Community Orchestra for its years of service to the Reston community on the occasion of its 30th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Reston Community Orchestra as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for its impressive musical accomplishments and best wishes for continued success.

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