

2018 SESSION

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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 57

Commending the staff of the Indian River Community Center.

Agreed to by the House, February 9, 2018

WHEREAS, in 2017, the highly trained staff of the Indian River Community Center saved the life of a man who had gone into cardiac arrest at the center; and

WHEREAS, on October 4, 2017, an Indian River resident went into cardiac arrest and collapsed while playing pickleball at the Indian River Community Center; and

WHEREAS, Michelle Ellison, a recreational specialist, quickly took command of the situation and began to perform cardiopulmonary resuscitation on the man while other Indian River Community Center staff called 911; and

WHEREAS, Ada Harris, another staff member of the Indian River Community Center, retrieved a portable defibrillator, which was used to revive the man; and

WHEREAS, the prompt care by the staff of the Indian River Community Center lessened the chance of complications and ensured that the man was able to make a full recovery after first responders transported him to the Chesapeake Regional Medical Center for treatment; and

WHEREAS, the survival rate for people suffering from cardiac arrest outside of a hospital setting is approximately 12 percent in Chesapeake, double the national average, thanks to innovative programs and technologies, as well as responsible citizens like Indian River Community Center staff members Michelle Ellison, Ada Harris, and Lena Ingram; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That the staff of the Indian River Community Center hereby be commended for their heroic efforts to stabilize a man who had gone into cardiac arrest in October 2017; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the staff of the Indian River Community Center as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for their quick thinking and decisive actions.

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