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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 232

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Commending FeedMore's Meals on Wheels program.

Patrons—Sturtevant, Dunnivant, McClellan, Reeves, Ruff and Wagner; Delegates: McQuinn, Rasoul, Robinson and Ware

WHEREAS, in 2017, FeedMore, Central Virginia's core hunger-relief organization, celebrated 50 years of work to improve the quality of life of seniors and homebound neighbors in FeedMore's Meals on Wheels program; and

WHEREAS, FeedMore traces its roots to the formation of Meals on Wheels Serving Central Virginia in 1967, which in 2005, joined with the Central Virginia Food Bank to build the Bayard Community Kitchen to prepare and distribute healthy meals to neighbors in need; and

WHEREAS, Meals on Wheels Serving Central Virginia and the Central Virginia Food Bank merged in 2008 to create FeedMore, and the organization has grown to serve more than 200,000 children, families, and senior citizens who face hunger in 34 communities across Central Virginia; and

WHEREAS, FeedMore provides healthy supper meals and snacks to nearly 4,000 children each day through its Kids Cafe program and distributes more than 2,000 BackPacks each weekend full of nutritious, easy to prepare meals to more than 1,800 students; and

WHEREAS, FeedMore also distributes close to 920,000 meals to more than 4,000 individuals in underserved communities through its Mobile Pantry and delivers more than 344,700 diet-specific meals to homebound individuals through Meals on Wheels; and

WHEREAS, in addition to its own programs, FeedMore has distributed more than 22.9 million meals through a network of nearly 300 partner agencies; and

WHEREAS, with the hard work and generosity of countless volunteers and corporate partners, FeedMore has helped reduce hunger, given children a good nutritional foundation to learn and grow, helped families that are struggling to make ends meet focus on other needs, and allowed senior citizens to maintain their independence; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend FeedMore's Meals on Wheels program for more than 50 years of service to the residents of Central Virginia; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to FeedMore as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the organization's noble mission to stop hunger by supporting food-insecure individuals and families.

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