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**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 1028**

Offered February 18, 2019

*Commending Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 3103.*

Patrons—Cole, Orrock and Thomas; Senators: Reeves and Stuart

WHEREAS, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 3103 in Fredericksburg has promoted patriotism, supported veterans, and offered valuable outreach to the community for more than 75 years; and

WHEREAS, established on November 19, 1943, Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 3103 held its first meeting at the American Legion Hall at 600 Caroline Street with Jesse L. George as the first post commander; since that time, the organization has benefited from the able leadership of more than 50 post commanders; and

WHEREAS, VFW Post 3103 subsequently relocated to a hall on the corner of Caroline and Lewis Streets, then moved to its current location at 2701 Princess Anne Street on April 13, 1958; and

WHEREAS, VFW Post 3103 supports local veterans by holding special events throughout the community and assists their fellow service members with understanding veterans' benefits and submitting claims to the United States Department of Veterans Affairs; and

WHEREAS, VFW Post 3103 has fulfilled its mission with the hard work and generosity of its members and through partnerships with affiliate organizations, including the VFW Post 3103 Auxiliary, Special Forces Association Chapter 90, and Disabled American Veterans Chapter 7; and

WHEREAS, VFW Post 3103 maintains a rich history of service to the community and supports numerous organizations, including the Boy Scouts of America, United States Naval Sea Cadet Corps, Young Marines, Wreaths Across America, and other veterans' organizations and charitable fundraisers; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 3103 on the occasion of its 75th anniversary in 2018; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 3103 as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the organization's contributions to veterans and the Fredericksburg community.

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