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## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 1121**

Offered February 18, 2019

Commending the Mustang Heritage Foundation.

Patrons—Tran; Senators: Barker, Ebbin, Petersen and Surovell

WHEREAS, the Mustang Heritage Foundation was commended by the United States Bureau of Land Management at a wild horse and burro event at Meadowood Recreation Area in November 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Mustang Heritage Foundation was recognized for its efforts to place over 11,200 trained, wild horses and burros since 2007; and

WHEREAS, the primary mission of the Mustang Heritage Foundation is to create and promote programs and activities that elevate the image, trainability, and placement of wild horses and burros, while educating the public about the program; and

WHEREAS, the wild horse and burro population is triple the size that the land can support; chronic overpopulation increases the risk of damage to rangeland resources through overgrazing and raises the chances of starvation and thirst for animals in overpopulated herds; and

WHEREAS, the Mustang Heritage Foundation has taken great strides to address this urgent problem; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Mustang Heritage Foundation for its commendation from the United States Bureau of Land Management; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Mustang Heritage Foundation as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the foundation's contributions to the nation and the Commonwealth.