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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 664

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Commending the Joe Bagley Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2582.

Patrons—Jones, S.C.; Senators: Cosgrove, Barker, Black, Boysko, Carrico, Chafin, Chase, Dance, Deeds, DeSteph, Dunnivant, Ebbin, Edwards, Favola, Hanger, Howell, Lewis, Locke, Lucas, Marsden, Mason, McClellan, McPike, Norment, Obenshain, Peake, Petersen, Reeves, Ruff, Saslaw, Spruill, Stanley, Stuart, Sturtevant, Suetterlein, Surovell, Vogel and Wagner

WHEREAS, the Joe Bagley Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2582, located in Suffolk, celebrated its 80th anniversary of service to veterans, active duty military, military families, and the community in 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Joe Bagley Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 2582 is a nonprofit, patriotic, social, fraternal, and educational association of "warriors still serving," whose mission is to honor the dead by helping the living; and

WHEREAS, the Joe Bagley VFW Post 2582 is named for a navigator who was the first casualty from Suffolk in World War II; the post has a rich tradition of service in his honor and was selected as a VFW All-American Post for 2017 - 2018; and

WHEREAS, today, there are more than 90 members of the Joe Bagley VFW Post 2582 who attend state conventions, place flags at veteran cemeteries on Veterans Day and wreaths for the holidays, distribute care packages to active duty military, serve the local citizens of Suffolk, and participate in Honor Flight Network trips to Washington, D.C., to visit war memorials; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Joe Bagley Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2582 for its decades of service to veterans, active duty military, military families, and the community on the occasion of its 80th 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 Frank McKiddie, post commander of the Joe Bagley Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2582, as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the organization's efforts to carry on their proud tradition of service and patriotism.

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