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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 747

Offered January 24, 2019

Commending Steve Rogers.

Patrons—Simon; Senator: Saslaw

WHEREAS, Steve Rogers, a beloved and accomplished veterinarian at the Falls Church Animal Hospital, retired on September 28, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Steve Rogers grew up in Smithfield, where he was exposed to veterinary medicine from an early age; his father was a large animal veterinarian, as were two uncles and a great uncle; and

WHEREAS, Steve Rogers attended Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University for his undergraduate degree before being accepted into a prestigious and selective program at the University of Georgia, where he earned his Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree; and

WHEREAS, Steve Rogers worked initially in Richmond and Southeast Washington, D.C., before joining the Falls Church Animal Hospital in 1975, which at the time was a small two-doctor operation; and

WHEREAS, Steve Rogers gave generously of his time to civic causes in the community, serving as vice mayor of Falls Church, as a member of city council, and as the head of the Falls Church Chamber of Commerce and of the Falls Church Housing Commission; and

WHEREAS, pet owners describe Steve Rogers as an empathetic, dedicated, kind, and conscientious doctor, and his colleagues in the now state-of-the-art, multi-veterinarian, specialized practice call him irreplaceable; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Steve Rogers, a beloved and accomplished veterinarian at the Falls Church Animal Hospital, on his retirement after 41 years of service to pets and their owners in the Falls Church area; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Steve Rogers as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his commitment to the health and welfare of animals.

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