HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 779

Offered February 1, 2019

Commending Eagle Scouts Cycling Across America 2018.

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Patrons—Murphy; Senators: Boysko and Favola

WHEREAS, Eagle Scouts Cycling Across America 2018 rode from Seattle, Washington, to Great Falls to promote the Scout lifestyle and support their fellow Scouts by raising money for camperships and other programs; and

WHEREAS, between June 17 and August 21, 2018, Eagle Scouts Cycling Across America 2018 visited 15 states and Washington, D.C., covering 4,000 miles and stopping to visit numerous Scout troops and camps along the way; and

WHEREAS, Eagle Scouts Cycling Across America 2018 partnered with the Rotary Club of Great Falls to accept donations in support of world and national jamboree camperships, as well as bicycling programs to encourage healthy lifestyles; and

WHEREAS, the Eagle Scouts Cycling Across America 2018 team consisted of six Eagle Scouts from Virginia, two from California, one from Pennsylvania, and one from Florida, as well as friends, family members, and Scout leaders; and

WHEREAS, four of the Virginia Eagle Scouts hailed from Troop 55 in Great Falls—William Nowak of Langley High School, Wesley Pan of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, James Ye of Thomas Jefferson High School of Science and Technology, and Scoutmaster Gary Pan; Brandon Bolick of the University of Virginia and Phillip Bolick of Abingdon High School also represented the Commonwealth: and

WHEREAS, Eagle Scouts Cycling Across America 2018 received national media coverage and was the subject of a cover story in the Boy Scouts of America's monthly magazine, Boy's Life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Eagle Scouts Cycling Across America 2018 for its work to engage with and support fellow Boy Scouts throughout the nation; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Boy Scouts of America Troop 55 in Great Falls as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the impressive achievements of Eagle Scouts Cycling Across America 2018.