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### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 804

Offered February 4, 2019

*Commending Girl Scout Troop 3173.*

Patrons—Delaney; Senator: Boysko

WHEREAS, in 2018, Girl Scout Troop 3173 participated in Fairfax County's annual SpringFest event to raise awareness of ocean pollution caused by disposable plastic bottles; and

WHEREAS, Girl Scout Troop 3173 is made up of students from Waples Mill Elementary School and Hunters Woods Elementary School; the troop participates in the Girl Scout Council of the Nation's Capital; and

WHEREAS, after learning about the great Pacific garbage patch, an enormous collection of plastic and trash floating in the Pacific Ocean, and that if current trends continue, plastic pollution is estimated to outweigh fish in the oceans by 2050, the members of Girl Scout Troop 3173 resolved to make a difference; and

WHEREAS, the youngest exhibitors at SpringFest, the members of Girl Scout Troop 3173 created a display to simulate ocean pollution and invited attendees to pledge not to use single-use, disposable water bottles; and

WHEREAS, SpringFest is organized by the Clean Fairfax Council and is held on Earth Day; Girl Scout Troop 3173's exhibit was especially relevant given the theme of Earth Day 2018: End Plastic Pollution; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Girl Scout Troop 3173 for raising awareness of plastic pollution at Fairfax County's 2018 SpringFest; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Girl Scout Troop 3173 as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for their commitment to protecting the Commonwealth's valuable natural resources.

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