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Commending the Virginia Beer Company.

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WHEREAS, the Virginia Beer Company, a Williamsburg-based local brewery, won the Silver European Beer Star Award for its Elbow Patches Oatmeal Stout at an international craft beer exposition in November 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Virginia Beer Company received the award at the BrauBeviale 2018 in Nuremberg, Germany, the world's most important capital goods exhibition for the beverage industry, where over 40,000 trade visitors and 1,000 exhibitors meet to talk about high-quality products, raw materials, advanced technologies, efficient logistics, and lively marketing concepts; and

WHEREAS, the Virginia Beer Company was one of 23 breweries based in the United States to win at the expo, competing with over 2,000 beers from 51 countries across 60 awards categories; and

WHEREAS, the Virginia Beer Company's award-winning oatmeal stout uses flaked oats, creating a smooth, velvety base that sets the stage for pronounced aromas reminiscent of chocolate and coffee with a lack of astringent bitterness that gives the dark beer its appeal; and

WHEREAS, the Virginia Beer Company's oatmeal stout won the Virginia Craft Beer Cup gold medal in 2018 from the Virginia Craft Brewers Guild for the beverage's appealing taste; and

WHEREAS, the Virginia Beer Company has a wide array of brewed-on-site beverages, with over 200 recipes brewed in the establishment's first three years and 16 selections featured in their taproom, from experimental India pale ales, to saisons, to stouts; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Virginia Beer Company, a Williamsburg-based local brewery, for winning the Silver European Beer Star Award at the BrauBeviale 2018 craft beer exposition; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Virginia Beer Company, as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the business's achievement and acumen.