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## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 930

Offered February 12, 2019

*Commending Steven G. Meeks.*

Patrons—Toscano, Adams, D.M., Delaney, Fariss, Heretick, Hope, Kory, Landes, Reid, Sullivan and Ware; Senators: Boysko, Deeds, Ebbin, Edwards and Howell

WHEREAS, Steven G. Meeks, born and raised in Albemarle County and Charlottesville, was first elected to the Thomas Jefferson Soil and Water Conservation District as a district director in 1991; and

WHEREAS, Steven Meeks served as chair of his local district board from 1994 - 1998 and continues to serve as secretary; and

WHEREAS, Steven Meeks acted in a leadership role as the Virginia Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts Area II chair, a regional representative ensuring the voice of Virginia's Soil and Water Conservation Districts (Districts) are represented at the state level; and

WHEREAS, Steven Meeks also served in a leadership role as vice president of the Virginia Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts (VASWCD) nonprofit arm, the VASWCD Educational Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Steven Meeks furthered his commitment to conservation issues as a VASWCD Executive Board member, having been elected to the role of second vice president and first vice president by the directors of the Districts; and

WHEREAS, Steven Meeks was elected to serve as VASWCD president from 2017 - 2018; and

WHEREAS, during his term as president, Steven Meeks served with distinction, leading the VASWCD to host the joint National Association of Conservation Districts Summer Board Meeting and Southeast Region Meeting in Williamsburg, showcasing Virginia's conservation efforts on a national scale; and

WHEREAS, Steven Meeks continues to highlight the work of the Commonwealth's conservation initiatives by serving as both the National Association of Conservation Districts (NACD) representative and as historian of the NACD Presidents Association's Board; and

WHEREAS, Steven Meeks has expressed a deep appreciation, commitment, and passion for his community, historical preservation, and conservation; and

WHEREAS, Steven Meeks, as an unpaid volunteer district director and past president of the VASWCD, has embraced the mission of Virginia's Soil and Water Conservation Districts by providing and promoting leadership in the conservation of natural resources; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly commend and congratulate Steven G. Meeks on his exemplary service and dedication to Virginia's Soil and Water Conservation Districts; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Steven G. Meeks as an expression of the General Assembly's appreciation for his public service and commitment to preserving Virginia's natural resources.

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