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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 250

Offered February 6, 2019

Commending Elizabeth and Lauren Bradshaw.

Patron—Hugo

WHEREAS, in 2018, Elizabeth and Lauren Bradshaw helped preserve Centreville history by directing efforts to restore a cemetery dating back to the 1700s as part of their Girl Scout Silver Award service project; and

WHEREAS, after Elizabeth and Lauren Bradshaw discovered that the Orr Family cemetery on Jade Post Lane had fallen into disrepair, the twin sisters resolved to clean and rehabilitate the site, which serves as the final resting place of John D. Orr, a Revolutionary War hero who donated land for the formation of Centreville, and other prominent Virginians; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth and Lauren Bradshaw led a team of more than 50 volunteers that cleared weeds, undergrowth, dead trees, litter, and debris over the course of several weekends and raised more than \$2,000 for seven tons of gravel, 12 truckloads of mulch, and 3,000 periwinkle plants to increase accessibility to and beautify the cemetery; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth and Lauren Bradshaw worked with the Fairfax County Cemetery Preservation Association to identify 28 graves and added stone markers to properly delineate each grave; and

WHEREAS, in addition to support from their fellow members of Girl Scout Troop 3327, Elizabeth and Lauren Bradshaw completed the project with the help and support of many local individuals, businesses, and community organizations; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Elizabeth and Lauren Bradshaw hereby be commended for restoring and preserving the Orr Family cemetery in Centreville; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Elizabeth and Lauren Bradshaw as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for their work to preserve the history and heritage of Centreville and the Commonwealth.

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