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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 391

Offered February 21, 2019

Commending the Salisbury Garden Club.

Patrons—Adams, D.M., Bourne, Cole, Convirs-Fowler, Delaney, Lindsey, Rasoul and Ware

WHEREAS, for 50 years, the Salisbury Garden Club in Chesterfield County has promoted a love of gardening, floral design, horticulture, education, civic beautification, and environmental responsibility; and

WHEREAS, the Salisbury Garden Club was organized in 1968 and federated in 1969; beginning with 51 members from the Salisbury neighborhood in Midlothian, who formed the club to study the fine art of gardening and arranging and to promote an interest in and desire for beautifying their homes and grounds; and

WHEREAS, the Salisbury Garden Club's first president was Helen Poliquin, and Doris Davenport, Ann Smith, Marion Timmons, and Sharon Wakefield comprised the board; over the years, the club's ongoing maintenance and seasonal planting projects have benefitted the Midlothian Post Office, the Midlothian Fire Station, a Habitat for Humanity entrance, a courtyard at Bettie Weaver Elementary, and a garden at Swansboro Elementary; and

WHEREAS, the Salisbury Garden Club coordinates numerous outreach programs, providing bouquets for Meals on Wheels, offering tutorials in floral design at senior centers, providing seasonal flower designs for Bon Secours Hospice House, and leading garden crafts with children at the Redeemer Preschool, Swansboro Elementary, Southampton Elementary, and Bon Air Elementary; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That the Salisbury Garden Club hereby be commended on the occasion of its 50th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Lorna Boucher, president of the Salisbury Garden Club, as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for the group's longevity and commitment to horticulture and civic beautification.