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## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 428

Offered February 15, 2019

*Commending Piedmont Senior Resources Area Agency on Aging, Inc.*

Patrons—Peake; Delegate: Edmunds

WHEREAS, for over 40 years, the Piedmont Senior Resources Area Agency on Aging, Inc., has played a vital role in helping local residents age with dignity by providing education, advocacy, and support; and

WHEREAS, the goal of Piedmont Senior Resources is to promote the maximum level of independence for persons 60 years of age and older, and to ensure that older residents of Buckingham, Cumberland, Amelia, Nottoway, Lunenburg, Charlotte, and Prince Edward counties live as an integral part of society, with access to programs and services that meet their needs and preferences; and

WHEREAS, to that end, Piedmont Senior Resources offers numerous programs, including a post-hospitalization program to decrease readmissions and a medical transportation program; major growth and expansion in recent years includes budget growth of over a half a million dollars and the No Wrong Door community expansion, with nutrition delivery growth up from 20,000 meals annually to 100,000 annually over the last four years; and

WHEREAS, key volunteers play a crucial role in supporting the Piedmont Senior Resources, namely Navona Hart of Real Living Cornerstone, Sidney Allen of Rochette's Florist, and Nash Osborn and Matt Hurley of The Fishin' Pig; other key volunteers include the volunteer advisory council; the board members; and students at Longwood University, Hampden-Sydney College, and Southside Virginia Community College; and

WHEREAS, Piedmont Senior Resources has been recognized with awards and grants by local, state, and national organizations including a Workplace Development Award, a No Wrong Door Award from the Department of Aging and Rehabilitation, and grants from Meals on Wheels of America, Subaru, the Centra Foundation, the Department of Rails and Transportation, Dominion Power, the Walter Payne Foundation, Norfolk and Southern Railroad, and Hampden-Sydney College; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Piedmont Senior Resources Area Agency on Aging, Inc., for playing a vital role in helping local residents age with dignity by providing education, advocacy, and support for over 40 years; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Piedmont Senior Resources Area Agency on Aging, Inc., as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for its efforts to foster independence and healthy aging, and improve the quality of life for older adults, their families, and their caregivers through comprehensive programs and services.

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