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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 432

Offered February 18, 2019

Commending Braxton-Perkins American Legion Post 25.

Patrons—Mason; Delegate: Mullin

WHEREAS, Braxton-Perkins American Legion Post 25 was chartered as a wartime veterans organization by the American Legion Department of Virginia on August 25, 1919, providing what is known by the members of the American Legion as the Four Pillars of the American Legion: veterans affairs and rehabilitation, national security, Americanism, and support for children and youth; and

WHEREAS, Braxton-Perkins Post 25 has performed an exceptional amount of service for the community throughout the years, establishing a kindergarten for children of foreign-born parents, providing financial aid to military veterans, caring for the sick and war-wounded, locating employment opportunities, adjusting veterans benefit claims, and assisting with arrangements for military funerals given to deceased veterans, whether members or not; and

WHEREAS, Braxton-Perkins Post 25 continues to strive for a prominent role in civic life, and the men and women of the post work together to support the youth of America and the citizens of the community and have always supported service members and their families; and

WHEREAS, throughout the years, the Braxton-Perkins Post 25 has become a preeminent community service organization by establishing the renowned Virginia War Museum and providing headquarters for the National Guard Machine Gun Company and United States Navy Reserve within the Post 25 home; the post also holds annual ceremonies at the Victory Arch in Newport News for Memorial Day and Veterans Day; and

WHEREAS, for 100 years, the members of the Braxton-Perkins Post 25 have dedicated themselves to upholding the ideals of freedom and democracy, while working to make a difference in the lives of their fellow Virginians and Americans; and

WHEREAS, the centennial of Braxton-Perkins Post 25 provides an opportunity not only to look back upon the organization's storied history, but also to foster a new era of growth and engagement in the vital programs that have served generations of veterans; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Braxton-Perkins American Legion Post 25 for its legacy of service to veterans on the occasion of its 100th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Braxton-Perkins American Legion Post 25 as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the organization's contributions to American society, national security, and the welfare of military veterans and their families.

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