SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 470

Commending the Mount Vernon Council of Citizens' Associations.

Agreed to by the Senate, February 21, 2019 Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 22, 2019

WHEREAS, the Mount Vernon Council of Citizens' Associations, a nonpartisan, nonprofit organization of citizens' associations in the Mount Vernon District of Fairfax County, celebrates its 50th anniversary of service to the community in 2019; and

WHEREAS, established in 1969, the Mount Vernon Council of Citizens' Associations is the oldest and largest such council in Fairfax County; it is composed of 44 civic associations, community associations, property owners' associations, homeowners' associations, and condominium unit owners' associations; and

WHEREAS, the Mount Vernon Council of Citizens' Associations represents and promotes the interests of its member organizations and provides a forum for residents and groups to address concerns about land use, transportation, the environment, public safety, education, and housing; the council has also built strong partnerships with government agencies to address issues in a timely and effective manner; and

WHEREAS, the Mount Vernon Council of Citizens' Associations collaborated with the Department of Public Works to address property flooding due to new developments and increase transparency in the zoning process; and

WHEREAS, the Mount Vernon Council of Citizens' Associations has helped the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors and the Planning Commission make informed decisions regarding changes in traffic capacity due to the completion of the Woodrow Wilson Bridge Project at the Richmond Highway, Huntington Avenue, Old Richmond Highway, and Fort Hunt Road intersections; and

WHEREAS, the Mount Vernon Council of Citizens' Associations has also worked to ensure that quality transportation networks, mass transit projects, land-use planning, and school enhancements are integrated into Fairfax County's long-term planning; and

WHEREAS, the Mount Vernon Council of Citizens' Associations will commemorate the milestone with a gala event on May 4, 2019; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Mount Vernon Council of Citizens' Associations on the occasion of its 50th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Mount Vernon Council of Citizens' Associations as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for its work to advance the common good and promote the general welfare of the residents of Fairfax County.