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Commending Bay Aging.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 117

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WHEREAS, for 40 years, Bay Aging has played a vital role in helping local residents age with dignity by providing education, advocacy, and support; and

WHEREAS, the mission of Bay Aging is to deliver the programs and services that people of all ages need to live independently in their communities for as long as possible; and

WHEREAS, to better serve the aging populations of the Middle Peninsula and Northern Neck, Bay Aging runs numerous support services programs for senior housing, senior centers, and public transportation, among other services; and

WHEREAS, Bay Aging's notable accomplishments include establishing a statewide veteran-directed care program and establishing collaborations that contract with health care providers and payers to improve health outcomes and lower health care costs; and

WHEREAS, Bay Aging has won numerous awards recognizing its important work, including the Archstone Award for Excellence in Program Innovation; a Bay Rivers Telehealth Rural Health Community Champions award; and the National Association of Area Agencies on Aging's Aging Innovations and Achievement Award for Care Transitions; and

WHEREAS, Bay Aging has an exceptional and dedicated cadre of 1,400 volunteers of all ages who work alongside staff to assist the aging citizens of the Middle Peninsula and Northern Neck; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate of Virginia, That Bay Aging hereby be commended for its 40 years of work to help residents age with dignity and stay engaged in the community; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Bay Aging as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's admiration for Bay Aging's programming that fosters independence and healthy aging and improves the quality of life for older adults, their families, and their caregivers through comprehensive programs and services.