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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 257

Offered February 18, 2020

Commending the Laurel Hill Park Volunteer Team.

Patrons—Tran; Senators: Barker, Bell, Boysko, Chafin, Chase, Cosgrove, DeSteph, Dunnavant, Ebbin, Edwards, Favola, Hanger, Hashmi, Howell, Lewis, Locke, Lucas, Marsden, Mason, McClellan, McPike, Morrissey, Norment, Peake, Reeves, Saslaw, Spruill, Stanley, Stuart, Surovell and Vogel

WHEREAS, the Laurel Hill Park Volunteer Team, a collective of volunteer stewards of Laurel Hill Park in Lorton, received the 2019 Elly Doyle Special Recognition Award from the Fairfax County Park Authority; and

WHEREAS, the Elly Doyle Special Recognition Award was established by the Fairfax County Park Authority in 1988 to highlight volunteer contributions to parks in Fairfax; and

WHEREAS, the Laurel Hill Park Volunteer Team was one of the first groups to collaborate with the Fairfax County Park Authority through the Park Volunteer Team Program and has helped the county refine its model for coordinating park maintenance efforts between county employees and volunteers; and

WHEREAS, with its mission to make Laurel Hill Park as beautiful and inviting as possible and to protect the park's pristine nature, wildlife, birds, and plants, the Laurel Hill Park Volunteer Team conducts several service activities throughout the year, including trash clean-ups, invasive plant removal, and trail maintenance; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the generous efforts of the members of the Laurel Hill Park Volunteer Team, citizens and visitors of Fairfax will be better able to enjoy the wonders and splendor of Laurel Hill Park for years to come; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Laurel Hill Park Volunteer Team for receiving the Elly Doyle Special Recognition Award in 2019; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Laurel Hill Park Volunteer Team as an expression of the General Assembly's ardent appreciation for their contributions to Fairfax County and the Commonwealth.