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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 443

Offered March 2, 2020

*Commending the Loudoun County Chamber of Commerce.*

Patrons—Subramanyam; Senator: Bell

WHEREAS, the Loudoun County Chamber of Commerce, an organization dedicated to making Loudoun County a welcoming locale for businesses, residents, and visitors, has contributed greatly to the success of the region in recent years; and

WHEREAS, established on December 18, 1968, the Loudoun County Chamber of Commerce has grown into one of the largest chambers of commerce in the region, boasting more than 1,150 members that all contribute to the economic vitality of Loudoun County; and

WHEREAS, by promoting business throughout the community, the Loudoun County Chamber of Commerce improves the quality of life for residents of Loudoun County and makes the county a world-class destination for visitors; and

WHEREAS, through various training programs, activities, and marketing events, the Loudoun County Chamber of Commerce supports its members' professional development, enhancing their ability to serve the community; and

WHEREAS, more than 120 nonprofits are members of the Loudoun County Chamber of Commerce, utilizing the organization's Superior Nonprofit Initiative to strengthen their impact and reach others more effectively; and

WHEREAS, in 2019, the Loudoun County Chamber of Commerce contributed to rewriting the Loudoun County Comprehensive Plan to address the region's housing crisis and supported the creation of the county's new Department of Housing, facilitating residents' ability to access quality, affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, the Loudoun County Chamber of Commerce founded the Loudoun Chamber Foundation in 2015, an organization that has already gifted over \$114,000 to area nonprofits and grown its endowment fund; and

WHEREAS, the Loudoun County Chamber of Commerce advocates for and supports businesses, nonprofits, and government agencies of all sizes, fostering a healthy and prosperous Loudoun County for every resident, employee, and visitor; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Loudoun County Chamber of Commerce for its visionary leadership on behalf of Loudoun County and the Commonwealth; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Loudoun County Chamber of Commerce as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the organization's mission and best wishes for its continued success.