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### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 584

Offered January 14, 2021

*Commending Edwin Eagle.*

Patrons—Avoli; Senator: Hanger

WHEREAS, Edwin Eagle of Staunton received the 2020 Distinguished Service Award from the Virginia Golf Course Superintendents Association for his outstanding contributions to golf course management; and

WHEREAS, Edwin "Ed" Eagle began to cultivate his love of golf at a young age, when his family relocated near Gypsy Hill Golf Club of Staunton; he helped clean and maintain the course, leading to a part-time job that grew into a managerial position and 17 years of employment; and

WHEREAS, while working at Gypsy Hill, Ed Eagle earned a bachelor's degree from Mary Baldwin University and a master's degree from the University of Pittsburgh; he mostly taught himself the golf course management trade, studying in the winter and applying what he learned to the course in the spring and summer; and

WHEREAS, after graduate school, Ed Eagle worked as superintendent of Ingleside Golf Club for 26 years; in the 1990s he joined the Shenandoah Valley Turfgrass Association and served terms as a board member, vice president, and president during his long tenure; and

WHEREAS, Ed Eagle earned a designation as a certified golf course superintendent in 2001 and offered his leadership and expertise to the newly formed Virginia Golf Course Superintendents Association (VGCSA); and

WHEREAS, as a member of the VGCSA board, Ed Eagle completed several significant projects, a best management practices manual, a nutrient management planning program, and a water management plan during a major drought; and

WHEREAS, respected and admired by his peers, Ed Eagle has been a trusted mentor and friend to numerous colleagues and has strengthened the VGCSA and the field of golf course management in the Commonwealth; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Edwin Eagle on receiving the 2020 Distinguished Service Award from the Virginia Golf Course Superintendents Association; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Edwin Eagle as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his professional achievements.

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