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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 753

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Commending Katie Gaylord.

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WHEREAS, Katie Gaylord, a school counselor at Waller Mill Elementary School in Williamsburg, created a fundraising campaign in 2020 that sold "Virginia is for Kindness" t-shirts to benefit the Virginia Peninsula Foodbank; and

WHEREAS, teaming up with the company Custom Ink, Katie Gaylord and her colleagues have raised thousands of dollars for the Virginia Peninsula Foodbank with the sale of their "Virginia is for Kindness" apparel; and

WHEREAS, inspired by the classic tagline "Virginia is for Lovers," Katie Gaylord's "Virginia is for Kindness" campaign gives citizens of the Commonwealth a fun and meaningful way to celebrate their community and support a worthy cause; and

WHEREAS, the Virginia Peninsula Foodbank has been strained by the COVID-19 pandemic and the "Virginia is for Kindness" fundraising campaign has provided vital support at a time of urgent need; and

WHEREAS, the back of the "Virginia is for Kindness" shirts reads, "Faith over Fear," a stirring message that speaks to the resiliency of the Commonwealth and its citizens during this historic public health crisis; and

WHEREAS, Katie Gaylord's tireless and creative efforts to support the Virginia Peninsula Foodbank are an inspiration to all Virginians and a reminder of why the Commonwealth is a wonderful place to live, work, and play; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Katie Gaylord, visionary behind the "Virginia is for Kindness" fundraising campaign, for her extraordinary support of the Virginia Peninsula Foodbank; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Katie Gaylord as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for her accomplishments and her service to her community.

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