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### HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 324

Offered February 2, 2021

*Commending José Andrés.*

Patrons—Simonds, Adams, D.M., Ayala, Cole, M.L., Convirs-Fowler, Delaney, Hayes, Heretick, Hope, Plum, Price, Rasoul, Reid, Roem, Subramanyam, Ware and Watts

WHEREAS, José Andrés, internationally renowned chef and the founder of the global nonprofit World Central Kitchen, has provided, in collaboration with partners across Hampton Roads, nearly 1,500 meals per day to those in the Virginia Peninsula experiencing food insecurity during the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, José Andrés and World Central Kitchen launched the #ChefsforAmerica campaign, which partnered with Newport News Public Schools (NNPS) in late April 2020 to help provide healthy, nutritious to-go meals to NNPS students experiencing food insecurity; and

WHEREAS, World Central Kitchen, along with local partners across Newport News and Hampton Roads, including NNPS, acclaimed musician Pharrell Williams, local restaurants, and various businesses, has worked diligently to provide meals to those who have been adversely affected by COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, in addition to these efforts, World Central Kitchen aided local restaurants in an initiative to deliver meals to those waiting to vote, poll workers, and those in communities near polling sites; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That José Andrés, world-renowned chef and the founder of World Central Kitchen, hereby be commended for his efforts to help those experiencing food insecurity in Newport News and across Hampton Roads; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to José Andrés as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for his work in helping our neighbors across the region during these difficult times.

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