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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 434

Offered March 7, 2022

Commending Donald Simpson, Jr.

Patrons—Bennett-Parker; Senator: Ebbin

WHEREAS, Donald Simpson, Jr., president of the construction firm Simpson Development based in Alexandria, was inducted into the Living Legends of Alexandria Class of 2020 and will be honored with the award at an event in 2022; and

WHEREAS, before he graduated from the former T.C. Williams High School in Alexandria in 1978, Donald Simpson had already begun working with his father and grandfather at Eugene Simpson and Brother Construction, a family firm that has built or renovated hundreds of buildings and residences in the Greater Washington Area since its founding; and

WHEREAS, after earning a degree in engineering from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Donald Simpson returned full-time to Eugene Simpson and Brother Construction, now Simpson Development, helping the business to grow and transform the region over many years; and

WHEREAS, a standout athlete in high school and college, Donald Simpson has carried on his family's commitment to the Alexandria community through his support of various youth educational and athletic programs and by serving on the local youth sports commission for several years; and

WHEREAS, in recent years, Donald Simpson partnered with the Miracle League Association to build the Miracle Field at the Nannie J. Lee Memorial Recreation Center in Alexandria, which is specially designed to accommodate children and adults with special needs, ensuring all can enjoy the thrill of playing sports and being on a team; and

WHEREAS, a member of one of the founding families of the Scholarship Fund of Alexandria, Donald Simpson has given generously of his time and talents to numerous organizations, including Alexandria Little League, Alexandria City High School, Colonial District of the Boy Scouts of America, Senior Services of Alexandria, the Center for Alexandria's Children, and Inova Alexandria Hospital Foundation, on which he has served as both board member and chair; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Donald Simpson, Jr., for being named a 2020 Living Legend of Alexandria; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Donald Simpson, Jr., as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his contributions to the Commonwealth.

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