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Commending C.J. Coakley Company, Inc.

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WHEREAS, C.J. Coakley Company, Inc., an award-winning commercial construction firm serving the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area, celebrates its 60th anniversary in 2022; and

WHEREAS, founded in 1962 by Cornelius "Connie" Coakley and his wife, Ellen, C.J. Coakley has grown into a company employing several hundred individuals while developing hundreds of projects throughout the region, including corporate offices, government and military buildings, educational and religious institutions, hotels, homes, museums, and more; and

WHEREAS, C.J. Coakley has provided its construction and renovation services at some of the nation's most distinguished buildings and institutions, including the Pentagon, the United States Capitol, and the National Gallery of Art; and

WHEREAS, committed to the growth and development of its community, C.J. Coakley was especially instrumental to the formation of the Greater Merrifield Business Association, with founder Connie Coakley serving as one of the organization's founders and original members more than 30 years ago; and

WHEREAS, without the inspiration of C.J. Coakley and other stakeholders in Merrifield, the Mosaic District, a popular shopping and dining destination that has transformed the area, would not be a reality today; and

WHEREAS, despite their spectacular growth, C.J. Coakley remains a family-run business, with many of Connie and Ellen Coakley's children, grandchildren, and other family members still serving with the company and working hard to preserve the company's traditions of excellence; and

WHEREAS, through steadfast dedication and an unwavering commitment to quality craftsmanship and service, C.J. Coakley has established itself as one of the leading construction firms in the Commonwealth and beyond; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That C.J. Coakley Company, Inc., an elite construction firm based in Falls Church, hereby be commended on the occasion of its 60th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Cornelius and Ellen Coakley, founders of C.J. Coakley Company, Inc., as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for the organization's illustrious history and its many contributions to the Commonwealth.