

## 2022 SESSION

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### HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 201

*Commending the Manassas Park Latino Festival.*

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, March 11, 2022

WHEREAS, the Manassas Park Latino Festival is an annual event of music, dance performances, food vendors, and other activities that brings families together in celebration of the Latino community's cultural heritage and its contributions to the City of Manassas Park; and

WHEREAS, alongside vendors selling pupusas, quesadillas, boiled cassava, ceviche, empanadas, and other popular Latin fare, the Manassas Park Latino Festival features booths offering clothing, life insurance products, legal services, and more; and

WHEREAS, the objectives of the Manassas Park Latino Festival include inspiring civic participation and community engagement, increasing access to services and opportunities, protecting and advancing the rights of immigrants and the Latino community, and promoting cultural awareness and a sense of community; and

WHEREAS, the Manassas Park Latino Festival was organized through a collaboration between the City of Manassas Park and the community organization Consejo Salvadoreño Americano for the first time in October 2021; and

WHEREAS, the recent Manassas Park Latino Festival featured approximately 16 businesses and organizations and was attended by approximately 2,500 people; and

WHEREAS, by promoting the cultural diversity of the Manassas Park Latino community, supporting Hispanic businesses and artists, and providing a space where individuals and families can gather to enjoy the food and music of their countries, the Manassas Park Latino Festival has helped to make Manassas Park a more wonderful place to live, work, and play; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That the Manassas Park Latino Festival hereby be commended for its accomplishments in honoring and celebrating the contributions of the Latino community to the City of Manassas Park; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the organizers of the Manassas Park Latino Festival as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for the event's success.

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