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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 102

Offered February 9, 2022

Commending Jesse Waltz.

Patrons—DeSteph, Barker, Bell, Boysko, Chase, Cosgrove, Deeds, Dunnavant, Ebbin, Edwards, Favola, Hackworth, Hanger, Hashmi, Howell, Kiggans, Lewis, Locke, Lucas, Marsden, Mason, McClellan, McDougale, McPike, Morrissey, Norment, Obenshain, Peake, Petersen, Pillion, Reeves, Ruff, Saslaw, Spruill, Stanley, Stuart, Surovell and Vogel; Delegates: Anderson, Bloxom, Cordoza, Davis, Fowler, Greenhalgh, Knight, Leftwich and Tata

WHEREAS, Jesse Waltz, a professional engineer and founder of JES Foundation Repair, was named a 2020 Hampton Roads Business Hall of Fame laureate during an event sponsored by Junior Achievement of Greater Hampton Roads on October 21, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Jesse Waltz's induction into the Hampton Roads Business Hall of Fame recognized him as an innovative, effective, and civically engaged business leader who has greatly served his community and company over the past three decades; and

WHEREAS, Jesse Waltz founded JES Foundation Repair in 1993 alongside his wife, Stella, and the company has since provided more than 250,000 engineered solutions at residential and commercial properties throughout the Commonwealth, Maryland, and beyond; and

WHEREAS, along with his certification as a professional engineer and his company's affiliation with Groundworks, a family of brands at the forefront of the foundation services industry, Jesse Waltz has proven his reputation in his field through the growth of JES Foundation Repair and its years of quality and dependable service; and

WHEREAS, in 2016, JES Foundation Repair had four offices, 190 employees, and \$30 million in sales; today, the company employs more than 4,200 employees in 49 offices across 20 brands, netting \$950 million in sales annually as it meets the foundation repair and waterproofing needs of thousands of clients; and

WHEREAS, through his entrepreneurial spirit and abiding commitment to the safety and well-being of others, Jesse Waltz has impacted the lives of countless individuals and helped make the Commonwealth a wonderful place to live, work, and play; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Jesse Waltz, founder of JES Foundation Repair, for his induction into the Hampton Roads Business Hall of Fame; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Jesse Waltz as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his contributions to the Commonwealth.

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