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## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 604

Offered January 31, 2023

*Commending Adam Armstrong.*

Patrons—Wilt and Runion; Senators: Hanger and Obenshain

WHEREAS, Adam Armstrong of Harrisonburg has greatly supported the youth in his community for many years by providing toys to children in need each Christmas; and

WHEREAS, Adam Armstrong was formerly homeless as a young teenager and lived on the streets for some time; he also lived for several years in low-income housing at Harris Gardens Apartments in Harrisonburg; and

WHEREAS, while living in public housing, Adam Armstrong witnessed first-hand children going without during the Christmas season; and

WHEREAS, like many young adults with no guidance, Adam Armstrong came in touch with the criminal justice system as a juvenile; and

WHEREAS, Adam Armstrong later met Pastor Josh Shifflett and embraced Christianity and its teachings, becoming a successful businessman guided by the tenets of his faith; and

WHEREAS, since 2013, Adam Armstrong has given away over \$250,000 worth of toys to underprivileged children in the Harrisonburg area; and

WHEREAS, Adam Armstrong's daughter, Alivia, has donated her allowance for the past five years to help purchase toys for children in need; and

WHEREAS, Adam Armstrong held his 10th annual Santa Armstrong's Christmas Hope Toy Giveaway on December 3, 2022, at the historic Lucy F. Simms Continuing Education Center in Harrisonburg; and

WHEREAS, Adam Armstrong gave away \$20,000 worth of toys following a recent faith service, a powerful gesture that underscores his deep commitment to the community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Adam Armstrong for instilling hope in the Harrisonburg community through his extraordinary displays of faith and charity; and, be it

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

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