2023 SESSION

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 720

Commending Charles Monroe.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 20, 2023 Agreed to by the Senate, February 22, 2023

WHEREAS, Charles Monroe, a lifelong member of the Caroline County community and a longtime and dedicated staff member of the Fredericksburg Regional Food Bank, recently retired after serving countless families and individuals in need over many years; and

WHEREAS, in the first half of his career, Charles Monroe worked for a telephone company in Washington, D.C.; in 1999, he became a driver with the Fredericksburg Regional Food Bank, facilitating the mobile pantries that the organization operates throughout the Greater Fredericksburg region; and

WHEREAS, as the Fredericksburg Regional Food Bank increased its reach and the number of mobile pantries it runs, Charles Monroe remained indefatigable in his efforts to advance the organization's mission, often supporting multiple mobile pantries in one day; and

WHEREAS, Charles Monroe consistently provided valuable leadership to ensure that the Fredericksburg Regional Food Bank's mobile pantries were conducted in an organized and efficient manner; and

WHEREAS, Charles Monroe's good humor and friendly nature always brought a degree of levity and joy to the serious undertaking of the Fredericksburg Regional Food Bank, endearing him to fellow staff and volunteers and to the community he served; and

WHEREAS, in retirement, Charles Monroe plans to fish often and to complete longstanding house projects, but also to volunteer at the Fredericksburg Regional Food Bank whenever he can, a reflection of his deep and everlasting commitment to the well-being of others; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Charles Monroe, esteemed member of the Fredericksburg Regional Food Bank, on the occasion of his retirement; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Charles Monroe as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his contributions to the Commonwealth and best wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement. HJ720ER