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## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 742**

Offered February 17, 2023

Commending the Kingsmill Community Services Association.

Patrons—Mullin; Senator: Norment

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WHEREAS, the Kingsmill Community Services Association, a world-class homeowner community located along the James River in Williamsburg, celebrates its 50th anniversary in October 2023; and

WHEREAS, Kingsmill was conceived a half-century ago when August Busch II, the president and chief executive officer of Anheuser-Busch, was searching for a new location for a brewery; and

WHEREAS, Kingsmill was developed along with other Anheuser-Busch endeavors in the Williamsburg area, and its original plan called for 40 percent of the property to be green space, a dictum that is still in effect today; and

WHEREAS, Kingsmill is certified by Audubon International's Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary Program, and the grounds are home to bald eagles, hawks, and other endangered birds; and

WHEREAS, the House Democratic Caucus, the Republican House Conference, and several presidents, including William J. Clinton, George W. Bush, and Barack H. Obama II, have held meetings at Kingsmill; and

WHEREAS, a number of properties at Kingsmill date back to 1619, and archaeological digs at 15 sites at Kingsmill over three years revealed important insights into colonial Virginia and plantation life; and

WHEREAS, the success of Kingsmill over the past half-century is a product of the tireless dedication and professionalism of its leadership, volunteers, and staff; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Kingsmill Community Services Association on the occasion of its 50th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Kingsmill Community Services Association as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for its contributions to the Commonwealth.