2023 SESSION

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 742

Commending the Kingsmill Community Services Association.

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

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.

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