HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 753

Commending Danville-Pittsylvania Community Services.

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

WHEREAS, Danville-Pittsylvania Community Services, the community services board providing various essential services to the residents of the City of Danville and the County of Pittsylvania, commemorated its 50th anniversary in 2022; and

WHEREAS, Danville-Pittsylvania Community Services was established in 1972 by a joint resolution of the Danville City Council and the Pittsylvania County Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, Danville-Pittsylvania Community Services has grown from a staff of only a few into one of the largest employers in Southside Virginia, with nearly 300 staff members and an annual operating budget in excess of \$23 million; and

WHEREAS, Danville-Pittsylvania Community Services is guided by a 15-member board of directors, appointed by the Danville City Council and the Pittsylvania County Board of Supervisors, that determines policy and direction for the agency and that contracts with its executive director to lead, direct, and supervise the agency's day-to-day operations; and

WHEREAS, Danville-Pittsylvania Community Services offers an array of behavioral health, developmental, and prevention services to meet the unique needs of the individuals it serves, empowering many to unlock their full potential and to become fully engaged in community life; and

WHEREAS, Danville-Pittsylvania Community Services achieves its objectives by meeting those it serves where they are, providing its services at more than 10 different sites in Danville and Pittsylvania County; and

WHEREAS, in fiscal year 2020 alone, Danville-Pittsylvania Community Services directly served more than 5,000 individuals through more than 50 unique behavioral health and developmental services programs; and

WHEREAS, Danville-Pittsylvania Community Services' prevention services have reached more than 20,000 residents in Pittsylvania County and Danville, helping them on their path to recovery and toward more vibrant and fulfilling lives; and

WHEREAS, Danville-Pittsylvania Community Services continues to grow and to develop new ways to meet the needs of the individuals it serves, helping to make Danville and Pittsylvania County healthier and more supportive places to live, work, and raise a family; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Danville-Pittsylvania Community Services 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 James F. Bebeau, LPC, executive director of Danville-Pittsylvania Community Services, as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the organization's history of contributions to the Commonwealth.