

2023 SESSION

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 763

Offered February 19, 2023

Commending Matt Hill.

Patrons—Lopez, Guzman, Hope, Kory, Murphy, Rasoul, Seibold, Simonds, Sullivan and Watts;
Senators: Boysko, Ebbin, Favola, Howell and Spruill

WHEREAS, Matt Hill, owner and chef of Ruthie's All-Day, a new American restaurant in Arlington, was named a Best Chef: Mid-Atlantic semifinalist by the James Beard Foundation in 2022; and

WHEREAS, Matt Hill received an early culinary education growing up on his grandparent's farm in North Carolina, an experience that cultivated a lifelong interest in handcrafted rustic cuisine; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from the Culinary Institute of America in 2000, Matt Hill worked at several notable restaurants in New York City, including Craft and Theo; and

WHEREAS, Matt Hill next worked for nearly 10 years with the Charlie Palmer Group, first at Chef Palmer's flagship restaurant Aureole in New York City and next as the executive chef at Charlie Palmer Steak on Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C.; and

WHEREAS, under Matt Hill's leadership, Charlie Palmer Steak received numerous accolades, including a three-star review from *Washingtonian* magazine and recognition from *The Washington Post* as one of the region's top five steak houses; and

WHEREAS, Matt Hill next served as chef de cuisine of Range in Washington, D.C., guiding the creative development of the modern American restaurant and helping it to earn a three-star review from *The Washington Post*; and

WHEREAS, as executive chef and partner with the Liberty Tavern Restaurant Group from 2014 to 2020, Matt Hill oversaw several beloved Northern Virginia eateries, including the Liberty Tavern, Northside Social, Lyon Hall, Leonora Bakery, and Liberty Barbecue; and

WHEREAS, Matt Hill opened Ruthie's All-Day in 2020, where he emphasizes locally sourced, seasonal ingredients and homemade in-house production while drawing inspiration both from culinary traditions and modern trends; and

WHEREAS, Matt Hill has given generously of his time and talents by volunteering as a culinary partner with various philanthropic events and charitable organizations, including Share Our Strength, Heart's Delight, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, American Cancer Society, VHC Health, and Doorways for Women and Families; and

WHEREAS, Matt Hill's recognition from the James Beard Foundation is a testament to his commitment to excellence and to his extraordinary abilities as a chef and restaurateur; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Matt Hill for being named a Best Chef: Mid-Atlantic semifinalist by the James Beard Foundation in 2022; and, be it

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

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