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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 766

Offered February 20, 2023

Commending Marcus Weinstein.

Patrons—VanValkenburg, Carr, Filler-Corn, Adams, D.M., Bagby, Bourne, Coyner, Helmer, McQuinn, Murphy, Scott, D.L. and Willett; Senator: Ebbin

WHEREAS, Marcus Weinstein, a distinguished University of Richmond alumnus and pillar of the Richmond community, became the second-ever recipient of the institution's Paragon Medal in 2023; and

WHEREAS, inspired by a medallion that hangs from the "chain of office" that is passed down between successive presidents of the University of Richmond, the Paragon Medal is the institution's highest honor and recognizes individuals like Marcus Weinstein who have demonstrated unparalleled commitment to the university community; and

WHEREAS, the Paragon Medal has only been awarded once before and will not be awarded again in Marcus Weinstein's lifetime; the first Paragon Medal was presented to E. Claiborne Robins, who gifted \$50 million to the University of Richmond in 1969; and

WHEREAS, Marcus Weinstein graduated from the University of Richmond in 1949 and is well-known in the Richmond community as the owner of Weinstein Properties and as a generous philanthropist who has enhanced the quality of life in the region through his charitable giving and wise leadership; his wife, Carole, is also a University of Richmond graduate; and

WHEREAS, Marcus and Carole Weinstein's contributions to the University of Richmond have helped improve campus facilities, increased access and affordability for students, supported the health and well-being of students, and enhanced academic offerings to transform the institution into a global center for learning; and

WHEREAS, Marcus and Carole Weinstein's support for the University of Richmond has resulted in the creation of the Carole Weinstein International Center, the Weinstein Center for Recreation, and Weinstein Hall; they have also supported several endowed professorships and scholarships, as well as programming like the Weinstein-Rosenthal Forum and other initiatives; and

WHEREAS, Marcus Weinstein previously received an honorary doctorate in commercial science from the University of Richmond in 2002 and the institution's Alumni Award for Distinguished Service in 2005; and

WHEREAS, the University of Richmond Board of Trustees voted to confer the Paragon Medal to Marcus Weinstein in August 2022, and he officially received the award at a special ceremony on January 19, 2023; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Marcus Weinstein, the second-ever recipient of the University of Richmond's Paragon Medal; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Marcus Weinstein as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his commitment to philanthropy and servant leadership.