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### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 799

Offered February 20, 2023

*Commending the Creeds Ruritan Club.*

Patrons—Knight; Senator: Cosgrove

WHEREAS, for 75 years, the Creeds Ruritan Club has promoted fellowship, good will, and community service and enhanced the quality of life for all residents of Virginia Beach; and

WHEREAS, on August 24, 1948, the Creeds Ruritan Club was chartered by Ruritan National, Inc., as club number 245 with 23 original members in what was then part of Princess Anne County; and

WHEREAS, the Creeds Ruritan Club builds partnerships with individuals, businesses, and organizations in Virginia Beach to promote the importance of civic service and leadership, while building fellowship, mutual respect, and understanding between different groups and communities; and

WHEREAS, the Creeds Ruritan Club has inspired generations of Virginia Beach residents to achieve their fullest potential in service to others; and

WHEREAS, Creeds Ruritan Club member Robin Davenport was elected and installed as the 2023 National President-elect at the 2023 Ruritan National Convention in January 2023; and

WHEREAS, in 2022, the Creeds Ruritan Club awarded thousands of dollars in college scholarships, made donations to Creeds Elementary School, 4-H, and the local Cub Scouts, supported church groups and the Creeds Athletic Association, and provided direct assistance to 26 families through its Christmas Food Basket Program; and

WHEREAS, the Creeds Ruritan Club has fulfilled its mission through the hard work of volunteers and generous donations from community members; every year, the organization hosts its Annual BBQ and Spring Craft Fair, which not only supports its service initiatives but has become a beloved local tradition; and

WHEREAS, through its commitment to excellence in civic leadership, the Creeds Ruritan Club has touched the lives of countless Virginia Beach residents over the course of its history; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Creeds Ruritan Club on the occasion of its 75th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Creeds Ruritan Club as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the organization's work to strengthen and enhance the Virginia Beach community and the Commonwealth.

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