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Commending the Humane Society of Fairfax County.

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WHEREAS, the Humane Society of Fairfax County

WHEREAS, the Humane Society of Fairfax County, an organization dedicated to promoting humane education and the welfare of animals and to preventing all forms of animal cruelty, has served the Northern Virginia community for more than 50 years; and

WHEREAS, founded in 1965, the Humane Society of Fairfax County has long provided a vital service by rescuing, sheltering, and finding homes for both domestic and wild animals that are either abused, neglected, or unwanted; and

WHEREAS, the Humane Society of Fairfax County takes great efforts to support the health and well-being of the animals in its care, offering exceptional rehabilitation and professional training services, as well as medical services through either its veterinary mobile clinic or local veterinarian hospitals; and

WHEREAS, the Humane Society of Fairfax County operates its Ani-Meals pet food pantry to distribute cat and dog food and supplies to Fairfax County pet owners in need, helping to ensure that no animal in the community goes without; and

WHEREAS, the Humane Society of Fairfax County works to address the homeless cat population in the community through its feral cat program and its Trap-Neuter-Release project, preventing innumerable cats from needlessly suffering pain or death; and

WHEREAS, the Humane Society of Fairfax County regularly engages with local schools, civic groups, neighborhood community associations, scout troops, and other organizations to share informative humane education and to promote the welfare of all animals; and

WHEREAS, the accomplishments of the Humane Society of Fairfax County are the result of the boundless devotion and compassion of its staff and volunteers and the generous support of the community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That the Humane Society of Fairfax County hereby be commended for providing an invaluable service to the Northern Virginia community for more than a half-century; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Humane Society of Fairfax County as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for the organization's history of contributions to the Commonwealth.