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## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 934

Offered February 18, 2009

*Commending the Iron Titans Motorcycle Club, Inc.*

Patrons—Bowling; Senator: Puckett

WHEREAS, the Iron Titans Motorcycle Club, Inc., was established in February 2005 by a group of dedicated motorcycle riders in order to organize group riding events for members and their families, as well as promote the many positive attributes of motorcycle clubs; and

WHEREAS, incorporated on May 22, 2006, the Iron Titans Motorcycle Club, Inc., began fundraising activities to assist families in need in Southwest Virginia; and

WHEREAS, committed to the club's major campaign each year, the Iron Titans Motorcycle Club (MC) has organized highly successful fundraising rallies and contributed funds to the Shriners Hospital for Children in Greenville, South Carolina, which helps children in need of medical care in Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, and other states in the region; and

WHEREAS, the Shriners Hospitals for Children comprise a one-of-a-kind international health care system of 22 hospitals dedicated to improving the lives of children by providing specialty pediatric care, innovative research, and outstanding teaching programs; and

WHEREAS, the third annual three-day Iron Titans MC rally held in June 2008 at the Tazewell County Fairgrounds netted record proceeds of \$15,000 for the Shriners Hospital for Children, and the club members hope to top last year's goal and raise \$25,000 at the rally in 2009; and

WHEREAS, the Iron Titans MC also generously supports the Crab Orchard Museum and Pioneer Park, the Bandy and Thompson Valley Fire Department toy and treat drives, the Abel Crisis Center of Bluefield "Baby Bottle Drive," the Burkes Garden "Blessing of the Bikes" program, the Fraternal Order of Police annual "Shop with a Cop" fundraiser, and the St. Jude Children's Hospital "Walk-a-Thon"; and

WHEREAS, the Iron Titans MC assists the Tazewell Chamber of Commerce in the "Share the Blessings" event, during which the Tazewell County Fire Department delivers meals to about 1,500 seniors and shut-ins; and

WHEREAS, the Iron Titans MC provides entertainment to the residents of the Golden Age Nursing Home at Claypool Hill, which has included a ride day and motorcycle rodeo; and

WHEREAS, the Iron Titans MC also contributed memorial candles to Virginia Tech students after the campus tragedy; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly commend and congratulate the Iron Titans Motorcycle Club, Inc., for the organization's many efforts to help citizens in need; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Iron Titans Motorcycle Club, Inc., as an expression of the General Assembly's gratitude to the club's members and their families for their dedication to the Southwest Virginia community.

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