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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 110

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Commending the Town of Smithfield.

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WHEREAS, the Town of Smithfield's Historic Downtown received the Paint Quality Institute's 2012 award for the Prettiest Painted Places in America; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Smithfield competed against several other worthy nominees in the small town category of the Southeastern Region, such as Historic Occoquan and Old Town Alexandria, to claim the award; and

WHEREAS, the competition focused on the town's "curb appeal," or how the residents and businesses used exterior paint and decorations to accent the natural beauty of the Town of Smithfield; and

WHEREAS, a well-tended combination of rustic American colonial, dignified American federal, and grandiose Victorian architectural styles helped the Town of Smithfield to triumph; and

WHEREAS, from the lively primary colors of the Boardwalk Shops at Smithfield Station, to the vivacious pinks of the "Painted Ladies" on Main Street, or the cozy greens of the P.D. Gwaltney, Jr., House, every building in the Town of Smithfield did its part; and

WHEREAS, evocative combinations such as the inviting yellow and deep red of the Mansion on Main Bed & Breakfast spurred the judges to name the Town of Smithfield the winner; and

WHEREAS, an award-winning town, the Town of Smithfield also won three awards from America in Bloom in 2012: first place in its population category, the Special Award for a Historic Walking Tour, and the Heritage Preservation Award; and

WHEREAS, the residents of the Town of Smithfield have reveled in the beauty of their town for years by participating in the "Pork-a-Razzi" photo contest, many photos from which would later be used to judge the Prettiest Painted Places in America contest; and

WHEREAS, the Prettiest Painted Places in America award illustrates Smithfield residents' pride and loving devotion to their community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That the Town of Smithfield hereby be commended on the occasion of winning the Prettiest Painted Places in America award from the Paint Quality Institute; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Peter M. Stephenson, town manager of Smithfield, as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for the hard work and creativity shown by the entire town.

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