## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 1058**

Commending the Sartomer Americas Chatham plant.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 21, 2017 Agreed to by the Senate, February 23, 2017

WHEREAS, the Sartomer Americas Chatham plant is celebrating its 20th year in business and being a strong partner of the Chatham community; and

WHEREAS, Sartomer, a division of Arkema Inc., produces specialty acrylate and methacrylate monomers and oligomers at its Chatham production plant; and

WHEREAS, Sartomer has evolved from a small chemical plant to manufacturing nearly 450 different products that are the building blocks for polymers used in commercial and consumer applications, including adhesives, sealants, graphic arts, and cell phones; and

WHEREAS, Sartomer's Chatham plant employs more than 40 people and is proud to be part of the local community; the company donated \$11,000 to the region in 2015; and

WHEREAS, Sartomer is an active member of the Danville-Pittsylvania County Chamber of Commerce, and the company annually sponsors a 5K race that benefits community emergency response agencies; and

WHEREAS, Sartomer's Chatham facility is a proud sponsor of the local FIRST® Robotics Competition Team 5950 from Tunstall High School in Pittsylvania County; and

WHEREAS, safety is a top priority for Sartomer employees, and the company takes great pride in its remarkable safety record, recently celebrating 10 years, or more than one million work hours, without a lost-time incident; and

WHEREAS, Sartomer seeks to provide new sustainable solutions for many social and environmental issues, helping to lay the groundwork for more fuel-efficient vehicles and growth in renewable energy and sustainable housing; and

WHEREAS, Sartomer attracts top talent to the Chatham area and its parent company is recognized as one of the world's top innovators and is listed among the best companies for which to work; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Sartomer Americas Chatham plant on 20 years of business growth and civic involvement in the Chatham community; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to René Neron, Sartomer Americas Chatham plant manager, as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the company's outstanding work and safety record and best wishes for the future.