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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 900

Offered February 7, 2017

Commending Danville-Pittsylvania County Habitat for Humanity.

Patrons—Marshall, D.W. and Adams; Senator: Ruff

WHEREAS, for 25 years, Danville-Pittsylvania County Habitat for Humanity has provided an opportunity for people from varied backgrounds to build community while building homes for families in need; and

WHEREAS, Habitat for Humanity International was founded in 1976 by Millard and Linda Fuller and awareness of the program was boosted in the 1980s by the involvement of President Jimmy Carter and his wife, Rosalynn; and

WHEREAS, an affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International, Danville-Pittsylvania County Habitat for Humanity was established in 1991, joining the effort to help eliminate substandard housing and build a world where everyone has a decent place to live; and

WHEREAS, Danville-Pittsylvania County Habitat for Humanity organizes community resources to build simple, decent, adequate, and affordable houses for low-income families; and

WHEREAS, over the past quarter century, Danville-Pittsylvania County Habitat for Humanity has built 38 new homes, restored five homes, and provided the opportunity for decent shelter for nearly 200 people in the Danville area; and

WHEREAS, Danville-Pittsylvania County Habitat for Humanity is supported by hundreds of dedicated volunteers, including core volunteers who combine to give thousands of hours of service each year, and volunteer groups from local businesses, churches, civic organizations, and colleges; and

WHEREAS, Danville-Pittsylvania County Habitat for Humanity provides unique opportunities for people from all walks of life to come together under a common purpose and work to make the Dan River region a better place for all; and

WHEREAS, at Danville-Pittsylvania County Habitat for Humanity project sites, doctors, lawyers, engineers, fast-food workers, personal care aides, and telemarketers, among others, work side by side to provide a hand to a neighbor in need; and

WHEREAS, Danville-Pittsylvania County Habitat for Humanity uses funds generated by its ReStore shop for its general operation, allowing the organization to focus its fundraising efforts on the construction of Habitat homes; and

WHEREAS, with continued generous donations of labor, funds, and materials from individuals, churches, synagogues, businesses, foundations, and corporations, Danville-Pittsylvania County Habitat for Humanity will be building houses and communities of hope for many years to come; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Danville-Pittsylvania County Habitat for Humanity on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of its founding; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Danville-Pittsylvania County Habitat for Humanity as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the organization's commendable work in bringing different people together to build homes, communities, and hope.

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