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Offered February 8, 2018 Commending the National Counseling Group.

Patrons—Marsden, Ebbin, Mason and Spruill

WHEREAS, for 25 years, the National Counseling Group has provided a wide range of mental health services and treatments to meet the needs of individuals and families across the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, the National Counseling Group (NCG) first opened its doors in 1993 with a single location in Annandale; today, the company has locations across Virginia and has served over 40,000 people; and

WHEREAS, NCG's outpatient mental health services include psychological evaluations, threat risk assessments, counseling, and medication management; the company also provides substance abuse counseling, behavioral therapy, and other treatments for people struggling with addiction; and

WHEREAS, to assist in emergencies, NCG provides 24-hour rapid-response services to safely stabilize, assess, and counsel individuals undergoing mental health crises; and

WHEREAS, as the largest provider of community-based behavioral health services in the Commonwealth, NCG offers in-home mental health support, skills training, and parent coaching for adults as well as in-school interventions and specialized therapeutic day treatment for children and young adults; and

WHEREAS, through its Embrace Treatment Foster Care division, NCG provides foster placement services and helps train and certify foster parents to care for children and adolescents with emotional, behavioral, and social issues or medical needs; and

WHEREAS, committed to innovation and excellence in mental health care, NCG operates the ncgCARE Institute, which provides training and seminars, quality assurance research, and a think tank dedicated to developing new programs and services; and

WHEREAS, during its many years of success, NCG has established itself as a leader in mental health care and substance abuse services and has provided life-changing treatment to numerous Virginians: now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate of Virginia, That the National Counseling Group hereby be commended for its years of service to the residents of the Commonwealth on the occasion of its 25th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the National Counseling Group as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's admiration for its many contributions to public health and best wishes for continued success.