## 2019 SESSION

## **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 709**

Commending Appalachian Cast Products.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, January 21, 2019 Agreed to by the Senate, January 31, 2019

WHEREAS, in 2019, Appalachian Cast Products celebrates its 20th anniversary of providing die casting, finishing, inspection, single-point drilling, and machine operations in Abingdon for the automotive, HVAC, and hand and power tool industries; and

WHEREAS, Appalachian Cast Products (ACP) was formed in 1999 as a custom die casting facility with one 600-ton die cast machine; the company has grown to include 11 die casting machines, as well as various machine and finishing operations; and

WHEREAS, in its early years, Appalachian Cast Products became ISO Certified because of the importance to the company of adhering to industry standards; and

WHEREAS, Appalachian Cast Products further enhanced its capabilities in 2010 with the acquisition of ACP Precision Machine in nearby Wytheville, adding the ability to manufacture die cast tooling and to perform more complex machining of castings as well as to provide finished components; and

WHEREAS, Appalachian Cast Products continued its growth in 2014 with the acquisition of an adjoining 56,000-square-foot facility; and

WHEREAS, throughout its history, Appalachian Cast Products has adhered to its founding principles to carefully manage growth as well as to invest in employees by providing training opportunities and a path to allow them to build a career with the company; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Appalachian Cast Products for 20 years of providing die casting, finishing, inspection, single-point drilling, and machine operations in Abingdon for the automotive, HVAC, and hand and power tool industries; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Michael Ferracci, president of Appalachian Cast Products, as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration and best wishes for continued success in the future. HJ709ER