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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 775

Offered February 1, 2019

Commending the Northwest Federal Credit Union Foundation.

Patrons—Keam; Senator: Boysko

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WHEREAS, for 15 years, the Northwest Federal Credit Union Foundation, the charitable arm of Northwest Federal Credit Union, has strengthened communities in Northern Virginia by supporting scholarships and other youth outreach programs; and

WHEREAS, the Northwest Federal Credit Union Foundation was established in 2004 to promote and manage the credit union's philanthropic activities; the organization formed its first partnership with Dranesville Elementary School in Herndon that same year and has formed similar partnerships with schools throughout Herndon and Vienna; and

WHEREAS, the Northwest Federal Credit Union Foundation has donated more than \$150,000 to the Children's Miracle Network, and its members have volunteered more than 2,220 hours of their time to mentor elementary school students; and

WHEREAS, the Northwest Federal Credit Union Foundation has awarded \$554,000 to local students through the Ben DeFelice Scholarship Program and \$93,000 through the Central Intelligence Retirees Association Scholarship Program; the organization has also formed a need-based community college scholarship program; and

WHEREAS, in addition to its work with young people, the Northwest Federal Credit Union Foundation has collected countless items and raised more than \$22,000 for food, toy, clothing, and school supply drives and delivered more than 2,500 meals through Meals on Wheels; and

WHEREAS, outside of Virginia, the Northwest Federal Credit Union Foundation has donated thousands of dollars to relief funds for Hurricane Katrina in 2005 and Typhoon Haiyan in 2013; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend the Northwest Federal Credit Union Foundation on the occasion of its 15th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Northwest Federal Credit Union Foundation as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the organization's legacy of charitable giving and support for the young people of Northern Virginia.