HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 322

Commending the Virginia Girls Choir.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 19, 2019

WHEREAS, the Virginia Girls Choir, a diverse group of Richmond-area girls in grades five through 12, celebrated its 10th anniversary in 2018; and

WHEREAS, the founding director of the Virginia Girls Choir was Dan Moriarty; the ensemble is made up of exceptionally talented and hard-working girls from all over the Richmond area who, in spite of differences in race, socioeconomic backgrounds, religious upbringing, and schools, have formed a strong, supportive community; and

WHEREAS, since the founding of the Virginia Girls Choir in 2008, the girls have worked to sing with spirit and understanding in a variety of musical styles, with the music of the Anglican tradition taking pride of place in their repertoire; and

WHEREAS, the Virginia Girls Choir sings for Choral Evensong at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church every Wednesday at 5:30 p.m., in addition to singing there on Sunday mornings; the choir has also sung at other churches throughout the community and the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Virginia Girls Choir released a CD in 2010 and went on tour in England in 2012; participants grow in confidence, poise, self-esteem, and collegiality, as well as gain deep awareness and appreciation for the disciplined study of poetry, music, and the arts; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That the Virginia Girls Choir, a diverse group of Richmond-area girls in grades five through 12, hereby be commended for celebrating its 10th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Kerry Court, director of the Virginia Girls Choir, as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for the many achievements of the Virginia Girls Choir.