HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 243

Commending Scoot's BBQ.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 24, 2020 Agreed to by the Senate, February 27, 2020

WHEREAS, Scoot's BBQ, a family-owned restaurant in Gloucester Point, was crowned *Virginia Living*'s BBQ Bracket Battle champion in 2019; and

WHEREAS, the tournament-style showdown, the first ever event of its kind sponsored by *Virginia Living* magazine, started with a panel of seasoned judges selecting a list of 32 entries from more than 250 barbecue restaurants in the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, slated in the Eastern region of the bracket, Scoot's BBQ was pitted against a different restaurant each week as *Virginia Living* readers voted to determine which establishments would advance to the next round; and

WHEREAS, to win the *Virginia Living BBQ Bracket Battle*, Scoot's BBQ received more votes than some of the Commonwealth's finest barbecue establishments, including Pierce's Pitt Bar-B-Que in Williamsburg and King's Barbecue in Petersburg; and

WHEREAS, opened in 2015, Scoot's BBQ stood out against many long-standing barbecue establishments in a field that values tradition and experience, a testament to the culinary mastery of the restaurant's owners and chefs; and

WHEREAS, to highlight its win, Scoot's BBQ was featured in the December 2019 issue of *Virginia Living*, promoting its reputation for delicious, mouth-watering barbecue throughout the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, the staff of Scoot's BBQ brought great pride to Gloucester County through its hard work and dedication, careful attention to detail, and tireless drive to create an unparalleled dining experience for its patrons; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Scoot's BBQ for being named *Virginia Living*'s 2019 BBQ Bracket Battle champion; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Gary Ward, co-owner of Scoot's BBQ, as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the restaurant's achievement and best wishes for its continued success.