SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 254

Commending William H. Harrison.

Agreed to by the Senate, March 4, 2020 Agreed to by the House of Delegates, March 7, 2020

WHEREAS, William H. Harrison, longtime civic leader, agriculture advocate, and founding president of the Loudoun Heritage Farm Museum, retired in January 2020; and

WHEREAS, a third-generation farmer, William "Bill" Harrison grew up in the Herndon and Chantilly area and supported many local farmers in Loudoun County over the years, helping the region's dairy industry become one of the largest in the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, after nearly three decades as a county agent, Bill Harrison redoubled his efforts to serve

his community through various civic organizations and endeavors; and

WHEREAS, Bill Harrison was instrumental in the founding of the Keep Loudoun Beautiful initiative, the Loudoun Health Foundation, and the Loudoun Education Foundation and contributed to the formation of four Ruritan clubs in Loudoun County and the establishment of the county's local Salvation Army chapter, among other worthwhile pursuits; and

WHEREAS, one of Bill Harrison's signature achievements was the founding of the Loudoun Heritage Farm Museum, a 12,000-square-foot museum in Claude Moore Park of Sterling that preserves the region's agricultural history for the educational benefit of future generations, for which he served as president for many years; and

WHEREAS, Bill Harrison's leadership, service, and dedication have helped unite the community and honor its distinguished agricultural history, contributing to Loudoun County's distinction as a wonderful place to live, work, and raise a family; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend William H. Harrison, founding president of the Loudoun Heritage Farm Museum, on the occasion of his retirement; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to William H. Harrison as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for his contributions to Loudoun County and the Commonwealth.