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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 567

Offered August 25, 2020

Commending Girl Scouts of the USA Troop 4507.

Patrons—Subramanyam, Reid and Samirah

WHEREAS, in August 2020, Girl Scouts of the USA Troop 4507 of Ashburn completed a project to prevent pollution and preserve the community's valuable natural resources by crafting receptacles for cigarette waste; and

WHEREAS, concerned about the environmental impact of discarded cigarettes, Girl Scout Troop 4507 decorated tin cans with river rocks, called Frenzie Cans, and offered them free of charge at the Breezyhill, Summerwood, and Windmill pools in Ashburn Farm; and

WHEREAS, members of the Girl Scout Troop 4507—Amanda Bond, Ada Bradley, Layla Davis, Lizzie Grotski, Paige Lynch, Leah Richardson, Piper Shealy, and Nikki Yarbrough—were inspired to undertake the project after a trip to Tybee Island Marine Science Center in Georgia, where they learned about how cigarette butts and other litter in the ocean can affect marine life; and

WHEREAS, returning home, the members of Girl Scout Troop 4507 set out to raise awareness of how nicotine and nonbiodegradable materials in discarded cigarettes can similarly affect local wildlife; and

WHEREAS, the members of Girl Scout Troop 4507 provided instructions for others to build their own Frenzie Cans and further prevent discarded cigarettes from being eaten by animals, becoming part of bird's nests, or otherwise polluting the local ecosystem; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Girl Scouts of the USA Troop 4507 hereby be commended for its service to the Ashburn community; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Alex Yarbrough, troop leader of Girl Scouts of the USA Troop 4507, as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for the troop's achievements.