HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 75

Commending Rosa Bakes.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, March 7, 2022

WHEREAS, Rosa Bakes, the brainchild of Rosa LePelch, a baker committed to enhancing the vegan options available to residents of her hometown of Centreville, opened its first store front in 2022 and is now operating out of a commercial kitchen in Chantilly; and

WHEREAS, Rosa LePelch began Rosa Bakes in 2017, running the operation out of her home before relocating to a commercial site in Chantilly in February 2022; and

WHEREAS, Rosa LePelch got the idea for Rosa Bakes after her family and she, who have been vegan for more than six years, grew tired of traveling to Washington, D.C., to satisfy their cravings for baked goods; and

WHEREAS, in preparation for this endeavor, Rosa LePelch gained significant culinary experience working alongside her father at the restaurant Trummer's on Main in Clifton and in 2020 received a bachelor's degree in Human Nutrition, Foods, and Exercise with a concentration in dietetics from the Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University; and

WHEREAS, by giving customers a fresh perspective on what is available to individuals following a vegan diet, Rosa Bakes has greatly supported the health and well-being of the Northern Virginia community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Rosa Bakes hereby be commended on its recent expansion into a new commercial kitchen; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Rosa LePelch, owner of Rosa Bakes, as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for the bakery's contributions to the Commonwealth.