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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 407

Offered February 20, 2023

Commending Something in the Water festival.

Patrons—Rouse, Cosgrove, DeSteph, Lewis, Locke, Lucas, Mason and Spruill; Delegates: Bagby, Bourne, Clark, Glass, Herring, Jenkins, Maldonado, McQuinn, Mundon King, Price, Scott, D.L., Seibold, Sewell, Torian, Ward and Williams Graves

WHEREAS, Something in the Water festival, a multi-day music festival hosted by singer, songwriter, producer, and Virginia Beach native Pharrell Williams that celebrates diversity and empowerment through music, will return to Virginia Beach on April 28-30, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the mission of Something in the Water festival is to unite the community and celebrate the diversity and magic of Virginia Beach; the festival blends different genres of music and provides an opportunity for Pharrell Williams to bring the best music he has encountered around the world back to his hometown; and

WHEREAS, Something in the Water festival includes music, education, sports, art and culture, health and wellness, and more, with activities for people of all ages and interests; the festival will take place in the Vibe Arts District and along a stretch of Atlantic Avenue and the beach; and

WHEREAS, Something in the Water festival was last held in Virginia Beach in 2019, its inaugural debut, and drew a significant number of visitors from around the world and generated tens of millions of dollars in economic impact for local businesses not only in Virginia Beach, but also across Hampton Roads; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Something in the Water festival, a vibrant music festival in Virginia Beach; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Pharrell Williams, organizer of Something in the Water festival, as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for the festival's contributions to the Virginia Beach community.

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