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## **SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 101**

Offered January 23, 2023

Commending Boys & Girls Clubs in Virginia.

Patrons—Locke and Hanger

WHEREAS, Boys & Girls Clubs in Virginia have made significant contributions to their communities by matching young people with positive mentors and role models to help them realize their full potential as productive, responsible, and caring citizens; and

WHEREAS, Boys & Girls Clubs provide services to more than 20,700 school-aged youths through chapters in multiple counties, cities, and military installations; the organization strives to inspire and support all young people, especially those from disadvantaged backgrounds; and

WHEREAS, through strong, proven development programs, adult leaders in Boys & Girls Clubs stress character and leadership development, education and career advancement, and health and life skills; they encourage an appreciation for the arts and provide programs in sports, fitness, and recreation; and

WHEREAS, adult leaders in Boys & Girls Clubs promote a positive self-image and enhance academic, social, emotional, and cultural awareness, while encouraging community involvement, strong moral values, and life management skills; and

WHEREAS, through the years, Boys & Girls Clubs have encouraged young people to aspire to the highest level of personal development and to become good citizens who are involved in their communities; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate of Virginia, That Boys & Girls Clubs in Virginia hereby be commended for the outstanding services they provide young people and their families; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Virginia Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's admiration for their dedicated service to young people, especially those who need it most, and commitment to helping those young people reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens.