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### SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 177

Offered February 23, 2023

*Commending Bryan W. Briggs.*

Patron—Morrissey

WHEREAS, Bryan W. Briggs, an esteemed faith leader and lead pastor of Destination Church in Hopewell, has provided joyful and uplifting spiritual counsel to his congregation and served the community through various outreach initiatives; and

WHEREAS, Bryan Briggs moved across the country in 2009 with a vision to plant movie-theater style churches, and in 2011, Destination Church launched at the Colonial Heights Regal movie theater with 450 people in attendance on its first day; the church now has upwards of 3,000 adherents and has established itself at a permanent facility in Hopewell; and

WHEREAS, Bryan Briggs started a teaching series called Honor Roll, wherein his church honors two police chiefs at Sunday service; the church has also given the Hopewell Police Department a gift of over \$10,000; and

WHEREAS, Bryan Briggs encourages generosity and faithful giving through its Dollar Club program, which currently generates \$10,000 to \$15,000 a month for distribution to bless people in crises and to support the foster care system, educational programs, or other ministry projects; and

WHEREAS, Bryan Briggs has previously canceled services at Destination Church so church-goers could go into the community and "be the church" by assisting organizations, such as the Dunlop House, the Petersburg Family YMCA, food pantries, and others that support the community; and

WHEREAS, Bryan Briggs is the consulting coordinator for The Church Multiplication Network of the Assemblies of God and a member of its lead team and is consistently looking for ways to support the growth of other churches; and

WHEREAS, in every aspect of his life, Bryan Briggs exudes a servant's heart and is a source of inspiration, stability, and spiritual guidance to countless members of the Hopewell community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate of Virginia, That Bryan W. Briggs hereby be commended for his legacy of service as a faith leader in the Hopewell community; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Bryan W. Briggs as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's admiration for his contributions to the Commonwealth.

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