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1   **HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 788**
2   Offered June 28, 2024
3 *Commending Specially Adapted Resource Centers.*
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6   WHEREAS, Specially Adapted Resource Centers, commonly known as SPARC, was founded in a Reston
7 community center in 2006 to meet the community's need for resources for adults with severe disabilities; and
8   WHEREAS, SPARC has been a leading force in serving the unique needs of members of the community
9 with severe and multiple disabilities who cannot work, have difficulty living in traditional environments, and
10 require 24/7 care and support that is not available elsewhere; and
11   WHEREAS, SPARC offers the same supportive structure and continued education that its participants
12 enjoyed in school and provides a variety of educational services in the form of leisure learning that allows
13 participants to work on life skills while socializing with a community of peers; and
14   WHEREAS, SPARC's tireless efforts allow employees to return to the workforce knowing their loved one
15 is getting the human interaction they require to feel more a part of life and of a community; and
16   WHEREAS, SPARC's commitment to providing essential day programs for adults with disabilities has
17 expanded to six locations in Northern Virginia and has benefitted the community and society as a whole;
18 now, therefore, be it
19   RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Specially Adapted Resource Centers hereby be commended
20 on the occasion of its 18th anniversary for its outstanding service in promoting resources to residents with
21 severe and multiple disabilities and their families; and, be it
22   RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for
23 presentation to Specially Adapted Resource Centers as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration
24 for the organization's significant contributions to the Northern Virginia community and best wishes for its
25 continued success.