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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 867

Offered April 1, 2025

Commending Capital Trees.

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WHEREAS, for 15 years, Capital Trees has supported and advocated for the creation of vibrant public green spaces in Richmond; and

WHEREAS, Capital Trees began in 2010 as a collaboration between the Boxwood Garden Club, James River Garden Club, Three Chopt Garden Club, and Tuckahoe Garden Club and subsequently grew to become a full-fledged nonprofit organization dedicated to the establishment or enhancement of public green spaces; and

WHEREAS, Capital Trees has played an important role in the development of green spaces along the 14th Street Corridor, Great Shiplock Park, the Low Line, and the Virginia Capital Trail; its current major project is the Hotchkiss Green at Hotchkiss Field Community Center on Richmond's Northside; and

WHEREAS, Capital Trees has worked with neighborhoods in the city to complete additional projects at the Church Hill/Libby Hill Viewshed Garden and James Christian Park; and

WHEREAS, the trustees, employees, and volunteers of Capital Trees are guided by the belief that public green spaces represent a form of common wealth that is essential to the health and growth of the community; and

WHEREAS, as a public-private partnership, Capital Trees works with local government agencies, corporations, civic groups, and other nonprofits to create environmentally responsible and aesthetically pleasing natural spaces that serve a variety of community needs; and

WHEREAS, Capital Trees has developed a deep expertise in sustainable management practices so that over the years, the places it creates become more beautiful and better for the environment; and

WHEREAS, Capital Trees has inspired people to take action together and become more invested in the well-being of the city, the environment, and each other; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Capital Trees hereby be commended on the occasion of its 15th anniversary of fostering a greener community; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Capital Trees as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for the organization's work to beautify the City of Richmond.

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