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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 673

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Commending Dulles Area Democrats.

Patrons—Boysko, Aird, Ebbin, Hashmi, McPike and Surovell

WHEREAS, for two decades, Dulles Area Democrats has served as an information hub, coordinator, organizer, and supporter of the Democratic Party in western Fairfax County and eastern Loudoun County; and

WHEREAS, Dulles Area Democrats (DAD) traces its roots to 2005, when a group of Fairfax County residents met at a training event for grassroots organizing sponsored by Democracy for America; the group was inspired to become more engaged in their community and create a social organization catering to people interested in supporting the Democratic Party in the Dulles area; and

WHEREAS, at its inaugural meeting in April 2005, DAD hosted former Lieutenant Governor and current U.S. Representative Donald S. Beyer as a guest speaker; within the first year of operations, the board members expanded the organization's mission to help support Democratic candidates for statewide offices; and

WHEREAS, DAD has since hosted hundreds of community leaders from not only Fairfax County and Loudoun County, but also members of the United States Congress, governors, lieutenant governors, attorney generals, General Assembly members, and candidates for office from throughout the Commonwealth at their monthly breakfast meetings; and

WHEREAS, DAD has also helped raise tens of thousands of dollars for Democratic candidates and become a key source of community engagement for Democrats and independents to socialize, learn, and become engaged in political activism in the Dulles region; and

WHEREAS, DAD strives to build a stronger, more unified community by enhancing communication and cooperation between its members, local party committees, interest groups, and the wider community; and

WHEREAS, DAD has created a vital support network and fostered lasting friendships and professional partnerships dedicated to enhancing community life; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate of Virginia, That Dulles Area Democrats hereby be commended on the occasion of its 20th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Dulles Area Democrats as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's admiration for the organization's commitment to fostering civic engagement in Northern Virginia.

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