SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 654

Commending Second Street Restaurant.

Agreed to by the Senate, April 2, 2025

WHEREAS, Second Street Restaurant, a cherished dining establishment with locations in Williamsburg and Newport News, has greatly served the Hampton Roads community for the past 40 years; and

WHEREAS, brothers John and Mickey Chohany took over Second Street Restaurant in Williamsburg in 1985 and, with a deep commitment to quality food and friendly service, guided the restaurant through a transition into a modern American bistro in 2007 and an expansion to a second location in Newport News in 2013; and

WHEREAS, whether patrons dine indoors or al fresco, Second Street Restaurant offers a warm and welcoming atmosphere and exceptional food and service, which has created fond and lasting memories for many; and

WHEREAS, Second Street Restaurant's dedication to culinary excellence has been recognized by a variety of awards, including *Wine Spectator* magazine's Award of Excellence in 2010, 2011, and 2012, a gold medal at the *San Francisco Chronicle* Wine Competition in 2011, and a Certificate of Excellence from TripAdvisor in 2014; and

WHEREAS, through the dedication and hard work of its owners, chefs, and staff, Second Street Restaurant has become a beloved institution in the Hampton Roads community and an important part of what makes the region a wonderful place to live, work, and raise a family; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate of Virginia, That Second Street Restaurant hereby be commended on the occasion of its 40th anniversary; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Second Street Restaurant as an expression of the Senate of Virginia's admiration for its contributions to Hampton Roads and the Commonwealth.