

2024 SPECIAL SESSION I

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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 828

Commending Taco Bamba Taqueria.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, April 2, 2025

WHEREAS, Taco Bamba Taqueria, a beloved chain of taquerias based in the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area, opened a new location at Cascades Marketplace in Sterling, its first establishment in Loudoun County, on February 28, 2025; and

WHEREAS, after several years of experience in fine dining restaurants, chef Victor Albisu founded Taco Bamba Taqueria in 2013 alongside his mother's business, Plaza Latina Market, in Falls Church; and

WHEREAS, as a result of its popularity and success, Taco Bamba Taqueria has since expanded to more than 15 locations across the Commonwealth, Maryland, Washington, D.C., North Carolina, and Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of Taco Bamba Taqueria's impact on the local culinary scene, Victor Albisu was named Chef of the Year by the Restaurant Association of Metropolitan Washington in 2015 and a semifinalist for the James Beard Foundation's Best Chef: Mid-Atlantic award in 2016; and

WHEREAS, each Taco Bamba Taqueria is known for featuring unique menu items that reflect the local community where the restaurant is located, and the Taco Bamba Taqueria in Sterling will celebrate the rich tapestry of cultures in Eastern Loudoun County with offerings such as the Habibi G with brisket shawarma, the Pork Pingao taco, and the Doña Rosi, a tribute to Victor Albisu's mother and their Peruvian heritage; and

WHEREAS, by consistently pushing the boundaries on what may be considered tacos and Mexican street food, Taco Bamba Taqueria cultivates an exciting and dynamic dining experience that keeps customers coming back for more; and

WHEREAS, every year, each Taco Bamba Taqueria location competes in the Bambathon, when a dollar from each taco sold goes to Smile on the World, a nonprofit organization founded by Victor Albisu to promote food safety and improve dental care in impoverished areas of Latin America; and

WHEREAS, with an uncompromising commitment to quality food and service, Taco Bamba Taqueria has brightened countless lives in Northern Virginia and beyond; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That Taco Bamba Taqueria hereby be commended on the occasion of the opening of its first location in Loudoun County; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Victor Albisu, founder of Taco Bamba Taqueria, as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for the success of his restaurants and best wishes for his future endeavors.

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