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1                           SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 29  
2                           Offered January 14, 2026  
3                           Prefiled January 14, 20264                           *Commending the Montgomery County Parks and Recreation Department.*5                           \_\_\_\_\_  
6                           Patron—Hackworth  
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8                           WHEREAS, for the past 50 years, the Montgomery County Parks and Recreation Department has greatly  
9                           served the Montgomery County community by organizing various programs and activities and maintaining  
10                           the county's public spaces; and  
11                           WHEREAS, the Montgomery County Board of Supervisors allocated funding for the Montgomery  
12                           County Parks and Recreation Department in the 1975–1976 fiscal year, and one of its first initiatives was the  
13                           establishment of Mid County Park; and  
14                           WHEREAS, the Montgomery County Parks and Recreation Department has expanded greatly over the  
15                           years and today oversees 90 sports teams, 12 parks, a community pool, and more than 200 programs for  
16                           residents of all ages; and  
17                           WHEREAS, the Montgomery County Parks and Recreation Department manages more than 225 acres of  
18                           public parkland, hiking trails, athletic fields, and recreational facilities and promotes environmental  
19                           stewardship through its Renew the New campaign and other initiatives; and  
20                           WHEREAS, the Montgomery County Parks and Recreation Department provides the community with fun  
21                           and engaging experiences in safe and supportive environments, making an immeasurable impact on the  
22                           quality of life in Montgomery County; and  
23                           WHEREAS, the accomplishments of the Montgomery County Parks and Recreation Department have  
24                           been made possible through the visionary leadership of its longtime director, Mitchell Haugh, as well as the  
25                           dedication of its executive staff, seasonal staff, and hundreds of volunteers; and  
26                           WHEREAS, through its efforts to promote the health and well-being of the community, the Montgomery  
27                           County Parks and Recreation Department has helped to make Montgomery County a wonderful place to live,  
28                           work, and play; now, therefore, be it  
29                           RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby  
30                           commend the Montgomery County Parks and Recreation Department on the occasion of its 50th anniversary;  
31                           and, be it  
32                           RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to  
33                           the Montgomery County Parks and Recreation Department as an expression of the General Assembly's  
                                 admiration for the organization's contributions to Montgomery County and the Commonwealth.

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